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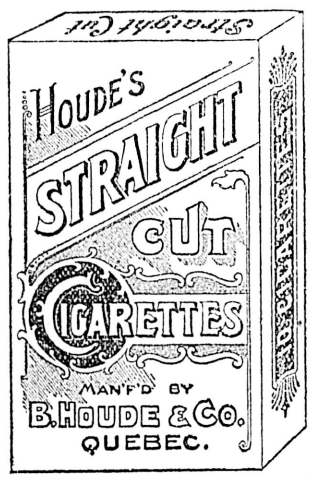


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## MACHINE POLITICIANS.

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Special to the Colonist.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—The Telegram publishes the following despatch:

"Toronto, Dec. 5.—It is learned that within the past few days a number of Liberal workers have left to take part in the elections in Manitoba. Amongst them is James Farr, who did dirty work in the West Huron election, and who so mysteriously disappeared when required to give evidence before the House of Commons committee last session.

"Duncan Bole, who escaped to the States when a warrant was issued for his arrest for his work in connection with the West Elgin election, is also reported to have left Toronto, and is believed to be heading West."

London, Dec. 5.—Lewis, who won so much notoriety in the North Waterloo election, left here for the West last Thursday, accompanied by two others. It is believed Winnipeg is his destination, and Conservatives should be on the lookout for him. Lewis is tall and thin, has reddish hair, and is clean shaven.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—A Frenchman named Chas. Garnot, hailing from Prince Albert, has been arrested by the Conservatives on suspicion of being here to do crooked work in the elections. The arrest has increased the election excitement.

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# YET FIGHTING.

## Boers in Strong Position Six Miles From Modder River Awaiting Fourth Assault by Methuen's Column.

## Their Losses Even Heavier Than Those of British—White Flag Treachery Planned and Red Cross Badges on Ammunition Carriers.

## Rhodes Reports Kimberley Mines in Danger From Water--All Well at Mafeking--Admiral Criticised for Holding Back the Little Men in Blue.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 6—4:30 a. m.—The censorship continues to be of the strictest character, and virtually no news is allowed to pass except diaries of events within the beleaguered garrisons and positions.

According to the latest accounts of the battle of Modder River the Boer fire was the hottest on record and will revolutionise existing theories. It was effective up to 1,600 yards, but the casualties among the prone troops were trifling. It was found impossible to bring the British ammunition reserves to the firing line.

Many of the Boers wearing Red Cross badges were actually employed in serving out ammunition. In connection with the many accusations against the Boers' indifference to the laws of war, a letter published in Capetown asserts that before the Transvaal ultimatum was sent the Boer leaders discussed the policy of using the white flag when driven to a corner, in order to deceive the British commanders, and this policy was generally approved.

AN EMERGENCY DIVISION.

It is reported that the mobilization of a Seventh division will be ordered at Aldershot as a preparation for emergency.

The Morning Post complains that there are plenty of cavalry men available at home, but that parsimony prevents them being sent to South Africa, where they are urgently needed.

WAITING FOR METHUEN.

London, Dec. 6.—A Modder River special, dated Thudsday, November 30, says: "The Boers occupy a strong ridge about six miles north of this point. To-day the Lancers came in contact with them."

KIMBERLEY MINES RELIEVED.

Pretoria, Dec. 1.—Friday.—The Standard and Diggers' News says that on Wednesday last Mr. Cecil Rhodes' despatches, interrupted near Kimberly, said the Debeers mines were filling with water and that Mr. Rhodes estimated the damage at $50,000 per day.

ALL WELL AT MAFEKING.

London, Dec. 6.—The Daily Mail has a despatch from Mafeking, dated Tuesday, November 28, which says: "All well."

AN ADMIRAL CRITICISED.

London, Dec. 6.—A special despatch from Estcourt censures Rear Admiral Robert Harris, commander-in-chief of the Good Hope and West African squadrons, for his delay in sending Capt. Scott and Capt. Lambton with guns to Ladysmith. It is notorious, says the correspondent, that only at the last moment, on October 30, while a decisive action was pending, did Capt. Lambton, of the Powerful, arrive at Ladysmith. A week, a day, a few hours might, and I doubt not would, have saved the situation and delayed the investment, if it had not ended the Boer attempt.

COL. YULE INVALIDED.

London, Dec. 6.—The Daily Mail announces that Colonel W. A. Yule, who succeeded General Sir William Symons in command of the British troops at Dundee after Symons was wounded in the battle of Talana hill, and who was promoted from the rank of substantive lieutenant-colonel in the army to that of major-general on the staff, to command the Eighth Brigade of the South African field force, with the substantive rank of colonel in the army, is on his way to England, being in broken health.

BOER LOSSES AT MODDER RIVER

London, Dec. 5.—The war office received to-day the following despatch from Gen. Forestier-Walker, under the date of December 5:

"Gen. Methuen reported that at Modder River he found 23 bodies, and that 27 bodies had since floated on the surface of the river. People say some bodies were buried and others were taken on mules to Jacobsdal, where the Enslin wounded were also taken.

"'Commondant Albrecht's wagon, perfectly fitted up as a pharmacy and surgery, was captured.

"The enemy's loss was more than ours and their morale has been much shaken."

The following is the Boer version of the battle:

"Pretoria, Nov. 29.—Delarney's official report states that a large force of British yesterday morning attacked the commando on Modder River. Heavy fighting lasted for hours.

"Cronje and Delarney took up strong positions, the Free Staters being reinforced. Delarney had 17 killed and wounded, including his eldest son. The Free Staters' losses are unknown.

"At dark the Boers retreated slowly to their positions, having prevented the British from forcing their way to Kimberley."

GATACRE'S COLUMN.

New York, Dec. 5.—A despatch from London says Gen. Gatacre has reoccupied Molteno and secured a large quantity of corn which would doubtless have been commandeered had the Boers been allowed to make a longer stay.

JOUBERT'S OPERATIONS.

Lorenzo Marques, Nov. 29.—The following despatch has been received here:

"Head Laager (undated).—Gen. Joubert has retired from Estcourt and is now blowing up Colenso bridge. He brings a large herd of cattle and intends concentrating around Ladysmith."

LADYSMITH RELIEF.

New York, Dec. 5—A London despatch says that it is now certain that the Boers are in great force on the further side of the Tugela River. The Boer army which invaded Natal was put by good judges at from 25,000 to 30,000 men, and the army confronting Gen. Buller may be from 15,000 to 20,000 men.

As for its artillery, at Farquhar's Farm, according to the accounts in Natal papers, the Boer guns overpowered the British, who had 36 field weapons, but now this artillery will be divided, and there are not likely to be more than 30 or 40 Boer guns, if so many, on the Tugela. Against this Gen. Buller has 42 guns, besides Naval weapons.

Some news has come through from Ladysmith showing that while on the one hand the Boer bombardment was becoming severe, on the other one of the Navy guns has once more silenced the big Boer 40 or 100 pounder.

GERMAN STEAMER SEARCHED.

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, Dec. 5.—The British second class cruiser Arethusa has been closely watching the German steamer Ella Moermann, which sailed from Hamburg November 18 for the west coast of Africa. On the demand of the British government the Spanish authorities searched the vessel on her arrival here, but found no guns or cartridges on board of her. The steamer then departed.

FRENCH ADMIRAL VISITING.

Constantinople, Dec. 5.—Admiral Fournier, the commander of the French Mediterranean squadron, has started for Sebastopol to pay a visit to Admiral Trytoff, the Russian minister for the navy.

STEAMER FOUNDERED.

Manila, Dec. 5.—The British steamer Hupeh, Capt. Quail, from Hongkong, foundered in latitude 14 north, langitude 117 east. The crew with the exception of the Chinese members were saved.

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# McKinley To Congress

## Cuban Independence and Firm Rule in Philippines Features of the Message.

## Lynching Horrors in the South Given Attention--The Pacific Cable.

## Trusts and Monopolies Call for Regulation--Big Surplus for Next Year.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The first paragraph of President McKinley's message, delivered to the fifty-sixth congress today, refers briefly to the recent death of Vice-President Hobart. The President then plunges into a review of the prosperous conditions which have prevailed throughout the country since the last message was delivered. He finds that the exports of agricultural products were $784,776,142, and of manufactured products $339,504,146, larger than any previous year. Government receipts from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1899, aggregated nearly $611,000,000. The customs receipts were over $306,000,000, and those from internal revenue about $274,000,000. For the same period the expenditures were $700,000,000, leaving a deficit of a little over $89,000,000. The secretary of the treasury estimates that the receipts for the current fiscal year will aggregate nearly $641,000,000, and the expenditure about $601,000,000. The President then turns his attention to the condition of the treasury, which he says is most gratifying. The available cash balance on December 1, 1899, was $278,000,000, of which over $229,000,000 was in gold coin, and he remarks that the conditions of confidence have brought gold into more general use and the customs receipts are now almost entirely paid in that coin.

### FINANCIAL POLICY.

The President finds that under the rapid development in the industries of the country the Nation Banking Act is not a sufficient avenue through which needful additions to circulation can from time to time be made. He therefore asks congress to take up this matter with the view of ascertaining whether or not such reasonable modifications cannot be made as will render the act's service, in the particulars referred to, more responsive to the people's needs. He proceeds to discuss the standard of money and says: "I urgently recommend that, to support the existing gold standard and to maintain the parity in value of the coins of the two metals (gold and silver), and the effectual power of every dollar at all times in the market and in the payment of debts, the secretary of the treasury be given power and charged with the ability to sell United States bonds, and to employ such other effective means as may be necessary to these ends. The authority should include the power to sell bonds on long or short time, as conditions may require, and should provide for a rate of interest lower than that fixed by the act of January 14, 1875. While there is now no commercial fright which withdraws gold from the government, but on the contrary such widespread confidence that gold seeks the treasury demanding paper money in exchange, yet the very situation points to the present as the most fitting time to make adequate provision to insure the continuance of the gold standard and of public confidence in the ability and purpose of the government to meet all its obligations in the money which the civilized world recognizes as the best. The financial transactions of the government are conducted upon a gold basis. We receive gold when we sell United States bonds, and use gold for their payment. We are maintaining the parity of all the money issued or coined by the authority of the government. We are doing these things with the means at hand. Happily at the present time we are not compelled to resort to loans to supply gold. It has been done in the past, however, and may have to be done in future. It behooves us, therefore, to provide at once the best mean to meet the emergency when it arises, and the best means are those which are the most certain and economical. These now authorized have the virtue neither of directness nor economy. We have already eliminated one of the causes of our financial plight and embarrassment during the years 1893, 1894, 1895 and 1896. Our receipts now equal our expenditures, and deficient revenues no longer create alarm. Let us remove the only remaining cause by conferring the proper and necessary power on the secretary of the treasury, and impose upon him the duty to uphold the present gold standard and to follow the repeatedly declared policy of the United States. In this connection I repeat my former recommendations, that a portion of the gold holdings shall be placed in a trust fund from which greenbacks shall be redeemed upon presentation, but when once redeemed shall not thereafter be paid out except in gold."

### TRUSTS AND MONOPOLIES.

After an urgent appeal to congress to pass some legislation which shall lift the American merchant marine from its present state of decadence, President McKinley turns his attention to the subject of trusts and devotes a great deal of attention to it. He says:

"Combinations of capital organized into a trust to control the conditions of or cause and extent of the injuries to the public which may result from large combinations concentrating more or less numerous enterprises and establishments which previously to the formation of the combination were carried on separately.

"It is universally conceded that combinations which engross or control the market of any particular kind of merchandise or commodity necessary to the general community, by suppressing natural and ordinary competition whereby prices are unduly enhanced to the general consumer, are obnoxious not only to the common law, but also to the public welfare. There must be a remedy for the effects of such organizations. If the present law can be extended more certainly to control or check these monopolies it should be done without delay. Whatever power congress possesses over this most important subject should be promptly asserted."

### FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Following the trust question, the President takes up foreign relations, first reviewing the status of several disputes which the government has on hand, and finding them moving towards a successful settlement. He finds that the Isthmian canal commission is making good progress in carrying on examinations in Nicaragua and Darien, with a view to establishing a canal between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and he asks congress to help in the work.

Referring to China, Mr. McKinley says that the interests of our citizens in that vast empire have not been neglected, and adequate protection has been secured for American missionaries there. Our trade with China has continued to grow, and our commercial rights under existing treaties have been maintained, and will be maintained. He urges an appropriation for a commission to study the industrial and commercial conditions in the Chinese empire, so that American trade may be enlarged in the empire.

Next the Paris exposition is touched on, and concerning Germany, the president finds that our relations continue to be most cordial.

### ALASKA BOUNDARY.

Regarding the Alaska boundary dispute the President says: "In my last annual message I referred to pending negotiations with Great Britain in respect to the Dominion of Canada. By means of an executive agreement a joint commission had been created for the purpose of adjusting all unsettled questions between Canada and the United States and Canada, embracing twelve subjects, among which were the questions of fur seals, the fisheries of the coast and contiguous island waters, the Alaskan boundary, the transit of merchandise in bond, the alien laws, mining rights, reciprocity in trade, a revision of the agreement respecting naval vessels in the great lakes, a more complete marking of parts of the boundary, provision for conveyance of criminals, for wrecking and salvage.

"Much progress had been made by the commission toward the adjustment of many of these questions, when it became apparent that an irreconcilable difference of views was entertained respecting the delimitation of the Alaskan boundary. In the failure of an agreement as to meaning of articles 3 and 4 of the treaty of 1825 between Russia and Great Britain, which defined the boundary between Canada and Alaska, the American commissioners proposed that the subject of boundary be laid aside and the remaining questions of differences be proceeded with, some of which were so far advanced as to assure the probability of settlement.

"This being declined by the British commissioners, an adjournment was taken until the boundary should be adjusted by the two governments. The subject has been receiving the careful attention which its importance demands, with the result that a modus vivendi for provisional demarcations in the region about the Lynn Canal has been agreed upon, and it is hoped tha tthe negotiations now in progress between the two governments will end in an agreement for the establishment and delimitation of a permanent boundary.

"Apart from these cuestions, in our relationship with our northern neighbors, the most friendly disposition and ready agreement have marked the discussion of numerous matters arising in the vast and intimate intercourse of the United States with Great Britain.

### THE BOER WAR.

"This government has maintained an attitude of neutrality in the unfortunate contest between Great Britain and the Boer states of Africa. We have remained faithful to the precept of avoiding entangling alliances as to affairs not of direct concern. Had circumstances suggested that the parties to the quarrel would have welcomed any kindly expression of the hope of the American people that war might be averted, good offices would have been gladly tendered. The United States representative at Pretoria was early instructed to see that all neutral American interests be respected by the combatants. This has been an easy task, in view of the positive declarations of both British and Boer authorities that the personal rights of our citizens should be observed.

"Upon the withdrawal of the British agent from Pretoria, the United States consul was authorized, upon the request of the British government and with the assent of the South African and Orange Free State governments, to exercise the customary good offices of a neutral for the care of British interests. In the discharge of this function I am happy to say that abundant opportunity was afforded to show the impartiality of this government toward both combatants."

### FOREIGNERS' RIGHTS.

Taking up the subject of the lynching of certain Italians in Louisiana, Mr. McKinley follows President Harrison in urging that congress extend the powers trade among our citizens, to stifle competition, limit production and determine the prices of products used and consumed by the people, are justly provoking public discussion, and should early claim the attention of congress. The subject is one giving rise to many and diversified views as to the nature and the variety of the federal courts so that they may have jurisdiction over offences against the treaty rights of foreigners domiciled in the United States.

### PACIFIC CABLE.

The President, after a complimentary reference to the friendly feeling the government of Japan has for the United States, hopes that the country will be soon brought into telegraphic relation with this country, and also calls attention to his special message of February 10, 1899, concerning the necessity of a cable to Manila, recommending that congress authorize the postmaster-general to invite competitive bids for the establishment of such a cable.

### SAMOAN AGREEMENT.

President McKinley reviews at some length the Samoan troubles, and says he will soon submit to the senate a contract entered into between the United States, Germany and England for its action, and then takes up the condition of Cuba and Porto Rico since the treaty of peace with Spain was signed.

### INDEPENDENCE FOR CUBA.

He distinctly says that the pledge as proclaimed in the joint resolution by congress on April 19, 1898, by which the United States disclaim any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over Cuba, except for the pacification thereof, and the determination that when that was accomplished to leave the government and control of the islands to its people, it the highest honorable obligation, and must be sacredly kept.

He says further: "Our mission is to accomplish what we took up as a wager of battle, and it is not to be fulfilled by turning adrift any loosely framed commonwealth to face the vicissitudes which too often attend weaker states whose natural wealth and abundant resources are offset by the incongruities of the political organization and the recurring occasions for internal rivalries to sap their strength and dissipate their energies. The greatest blessing which can came to Cuba is the return of her agricultural and industrial prosperity, which will give employment to idle men and re-establish the pursuits of peace. This is her chief and immediate need."

### LITTLE AMERICAN REPUBLICS.

Reviewing the increase of trade brought about by the efforts of the state department to keep in touch with the governments of Latin-American republics in South and Central America, President McKinley thinks it expedient that the various republics should be invited to hold, at an early date, another conference in a capital of one of the countries other than the United States, and in this connection refers to the Pan-American exposition to be held on the Niagara frontier in the year 1901, and says: "Satisfactory assurances have already been given by the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, Mexico and the Central and South American republics and most of the states of the United States that these countries and states will make an unique, interesting and instructive exhibit, peculiarly illustrative of their material progress during the century which is about to close."

### PEACE CONGRESS.

President McKinley expresses satisfaction over the outcome of the peace congress held at The Hague, and hopes for beneficial results from the permanent tribunal for arbitration established by it. He calls attention to the fact that in signing the convention the representative of the United States carefully guarded the historic position of this country anent the Monroe doctrine.

### THE PHILIPPINES.

The President refers to the work of the Philippine commissioners, and then says: "But before their arrival at Manila the sinister ambition of a few leaders of the Philippines had created a situation full of embarrassment for us, and most grievous in the consequences to themselves."

He refers to the report of the commission to show that the claim of the rebel leader that he was promised independence in return for his assistance has no foundation in fact.

"No sooner had our army captured Manila," says the President, "than the Filipino forces began to assume an attitude of suspicion and hostility which the utmost efforts of our officers and troops were unable to disarm or modify. Their kindness and forbearance has been taken as proof of cowardice. The aggressions of Filipinos continually increased until finally, just before the time set by the senate of the United States for the vote upon the treaty, an attack, evidently prepared in advance, was made along the American line which resulted in terrible destruction and the sanguinary repulse of the insurgents."

He then says: "Our obligations to other nations and friendly Filipinos and ourselves and our flag demanded force should be met by force. Whatever the future of the Philippines may be, there is no course open to us now except the prosecution of the war until the insurgents are reduced to submission."

The President then said: "The course thus clearly indicated has been unflinchingly pursued. The rebellion must be put down. Civil government cannot be thoroughly established until order is restored. With devotion and gallantry, worthy of its most brilliant history, the army, ably and brilliantly assisted by the navy, carried this unwelcome but most righteous campaign, with richly deserved success.

"The future of the Philippines," says the President, "rests with the congress of the United States. Few graver responsibilities have ever been confined to the United States. The islands will be under the shelter of our flag. They are our own by every title of law and equity. They cannot be abandoned."

The President does not deem it desirable to recommend at this time a specific and final formal government for the islands, leaving that to congress when peace is fully restored, but believes reconstruction should not begin by the establishment of one central civil government with a seat at Manila, but rather by first establishing a municipal government, provincial government and a central government to follow.

### NEEDS OF ALASKA.

He then calls attention to the necessity for immediate legislation respecting the territory of Alaska, the population having increased so rapidly that more ample facilities for local self-government are needful. He also recommends that legislation to the same end be had with reference to Porto Rico.

### LYNCHINGS.

Mr. McKinley repeats his message, and the words he used in his inaugural address concerning lynchings in the United States, and calls upon the people of the country faithfully to uphold the right of trial by jury.

### THE CIVIL SERVICE.

The last subject discussed in the message is the civil service. The President says amendments promulgated by executive order on May 29, 1898, and by the order of May 6, 1896, were made when it became evident to heads of the departments that the amendments were necessary to the efficient and harmonious administration of the departments. He claims the results obtained show the public service system relieved of many of its objectionable features.

### COMMENT IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 6.—All the morning papers have editorials on President McKinley's message to congress. The Daily Telegraph says:

"What differentiates the present from preceding messages is its all but formal admission that the United States have been drawn into the outer eddies of Eastern politics. It is the Far East which is the real reason for this partial abandonment of Monroeism. So far as Great Britain is concerned there is no apprehension, but rather unqualified satisfaction at the new departure.

"Great Britain, the United States and Germany are the powers most concerned in maintaining the 'open door' and that is all which is implied in the use of the word 'alliance' about which so much unnecessary fuss has been made."

## FILIPINOS IN ATTACK.

### Night Raid on Small American Garrison Who Lose Severely in Killed and Wounded.

Manila, Dec. 5.—Last night a force of insurgents estimated at 800 attacked the American garrison of 200 at Vigan, province of South Ilocos. The American loss was eight killed and many wounded. After very hard fighting the Filipinos were driven off and through the mountains, leaving 35 dead. Col. Bisbee is now reinforcing the garrison.

Fears are entertained regarding various small bodies of Gen. Young's troops in the province of Abra.

Look out for the White House Christmas sale of silks and millinery on Friday and Saturday.

# Vancouver's News Budget.

## Lumber Contract in China — Black Jack Cases Coming to Court.

## Conservatives' Strong Organization—Salmon Canners Ideas —A Rich Gold Property.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 6.—C. M. Becker, of the Hastings mills, left by the Empress of China on Monday evening for China. He is going to put in a tender for a big contract for supplying lumber for the Tientsin railway.

### RICH GOLD PROPERTY.

W. Thomas Newman, M.E., is responsible for the statement made to the Colonist correspondent that he and others are interested in a gold-copper proposition that contains higher values than any deposit hitherto discovered. Mr. Newman says that the contact vein is 100 feet wide and has been stripped for 1,000 feet. He made two assays, which ran $98.50 and $97 in gold to the ton. Along the stripped vein where the ore is carbonised colors half as long as a finger can be washed in a pan. The exact location Mr. Newman would not state, as the company, abundantly capitalised, is in process of formation to work the property.

### POSTAL SWEATING.

Mr. Bennett, post office inspector, is making a very careful investigation into the charges made by the labor union that certain post office officials were overworked and underpaid.

### GAMBLING TEST CASES.

The card-playing rooms behind the Savoy and in the Balmoral hotel, were raided last night and eight men arrested charged with playing an unlawful game. The raid was expected and the men arrested were willing to be caught in the act of playing black-jack, desiring that a test case should be made. The cases were to have been proceeded with in court to-day at 2 p. m., but have been adjourned until to-morrow in order that the city may be properly represented. Those accused had retained several prominent lawyers, and the Chief of Police naturally declined to face the array of counsel.

### CANNING INTERESTS.

A prominent canner was interviewed by the Colonist correspondent to-day on the pooling question. He stated that several meetings had been held, but owing to a few of those present differing from the majority no decision could be arrived at. He said as things are at present, with the stringent Canadian regulations on one side and the Sound combine on the other, it seems imperative that the canners must pool their interests.

### CONSERVATIVE OFFICERS.

At the meeting of the Liberal Conservative Association held last night, C. Wilson, Q.C., was elected president of the association by acclamation; R. G. Tatlow, senior vice-president; J. J. Banfield, vice-president, ward 1; H. G. Ross, vice-president, ward 2; T. H. Boyd, vice-president, ward 3; J. Young, vice-president, ward 4; T. Cunningham, vice-president, ward 5. Mr. B. G. Walker is re-elected secretary. Ward committees were chosen and arrangements made for ward meetings. There are now 800 members, and an attempt is to be made to increase the number to 1,000 before the arrival of Sir Charles Tupper. The Colonist correspondent was told to-day by several of the newly elected officers that so far as Vancouver is concerned the coming provincial election would be fought absolutely on party lines.

### MINOR AFFAIRS.

The Stemwinder trial run has resulted in 350 tons from the main ledge, running $5.50 a ton, and 150 tons from No. 2, running $4. This accords exactly with the forecast in the report of J. F. Bledsoe, M.E., on the property.

The Bend d'Or November run is finished; 455 tons were crushed, yielding 277.83 ounces of gold.

The Salvation Army is asking a grant from the city for the rescue home for young girls.

Another row of Chinese shacks is to be burned down.

The city council introduced by-laws last night to buy recreation grounds, to charter another messenger company and to change the boundaries of the wards.

Mr. C. S. Phelp is very seriously ill. The doctors have ordered him to move to California.

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### BORN.

WOODGATE—On December 4th, at Esquimalt, the wife of T. N. Woodgate, C.E., of a son.

### DIED.

PETER—At the residence of Mr. R. Hampton, No. 59 Third street, on the 4th instant, Henry Thomas Peter, a native of Kirkland, Fifeshire, Scotland, in the 75th year of his age.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, at 1:30 p.m., from the residence as above, and at St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill, at 2:30 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

ESNOUF—Lavinia Maud Ferris, beloved wife of C. R. Esnouf, only daughter of W. D. and I. J. Ferris.

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WANTED—Immediately, 5 or 6-roomed cottage, pleasant locality; will buy furniture. Reply "Dawson," care of Colonist. d5

WANTED—A boy to milk cow and look after horse. Apply Carter, Alpha street, Burnside Road.

WANTED—A lady companion nights, will give room and board. Address "J.," this office. d5

WANTED—Girl to assist with housework and care of baby. Mrs. Lees, 84 Quebec street. d5

WANTED—Portable upright boiler and engine, from 5 to 7 h.p. Apply Queen's Hotel at 7 p.m. d5

WANTED—A middle-aged woman, to be as a mistress in the house and take care of children. Apply 35 View street. d3

WANTED—To purchase small house, Esquimalt Road or near by preferred. Reply "Buyer," Colonist. d1

WANTED—Piano, cheap for cash. Address "Piano," Colonist. d1

WANTED—To purchase good business requiring, moderate capital. Reply to "Cash." n29

WANTED—Furnished house; must have three bedrooms. State terms to "C.O.," Colonist office. n29

OUR NATIVE HERBS—Wanted, every one to know that this well known Blood Purifier and Liver Regulator can now be obtained in Victoria. Address of agent: Frank Oakden, Dawson Hotel, Yates street. n24

WANTED—Any kind of work, by the hour, as sweeping office, making bed, etc. Japanese Methodist Mission, 27 Broughton street. n10

WANTED—Parties giving up housekeeping to consult us before accepting any offers on behalf of so-called private parties. Ring up 683. H. Cuthbert & Co., Trounce avenue. n9

HAVE YOUR BOOTS AND SHOES repaired by C. Nangle, the prize boot and shoemaker; he don't charge credit prices. Repairing Depot, 56 Fort street.

## Notice to Contractors.

Tenders for the erection of a frame house on Belmont avenue will be received up to noon Saturday, 9th instant.

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## NOTICE.

In the matter of the

## Estate of John Duncanson, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that by an order of His Honor Eli Harrison, Judge of the County Court of Nanaimo, B.C., I have been appointed administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of John Duncanson, late of Duncans, county of Nanaimo, in the Province of British Columbia, deceased.

All debts due the estate must be paid forthwith, and all claims duly verified must be filed with me not later than the 31st day of January, 1900, when I will distribute the assets.

J. A. McALONEY,
Official Administrator for the County Court, District of Nanaimo.
Dated Nanaimo, B.C., December 4th, 1899.

### PROPERTY FOR SALE.

List of Properties by B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY.

KINGSTON ST. Two-storey dwelling and lot 60x120, James Bay, for $1900. $300 cash, balance at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

CHATHAM ST. Cottage and double front lot, $1600. $100 cash and balance on time. This is cheaper than paying rent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

PARRY ST. James Bay. Four two-story dwellings, always let, producing $25 per month. Open to offer. Apply 40 Government St. n11

DALLAS ROAD AND MONTREAL ST. Bungalow and small two-storey house in rear, $2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

FORT ST. Two-story dwelling, lot 60x120, well situated, $2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

COOK ST. AND KINGS ROAD. Lots $250 to $400, small monthly payments, no interest. Fine chance to procure a home. Apply 40 Government St. n11

M'CLURE STREET. 5-roomed cottage and lot 72x120 for $1600. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

COLLINSON ST. Running through to Beechy st., ½ lot. 5-roomed cottage $900. $200 cash, balance on time. Apply 40 Government St. n11

RITHET ST. Lot 45x130 and 5-roomed bungalow for $1400. $200 cash and balance on time. Apply 40 Government St. n11

FOURTH ST. 2½ acres. Has been under cultivation. Price $2000. $250 down, balance on time, with interest at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

WILKINSON RD. 12 acres, dwelling, barns, etc., all under cultivation, $3000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

RICHMOND AND COWAN AVE. One acre under cultivation; fruit, etc. Two-story modern dwelling, $2500. $250 cash and $250 per annum, with interest at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

DENMAN ISLAND—160 acres containing evidence of coal. $750; terms, apply 40 Government street. n22

KANE STREET. Lot and three houses, all rented. $3600. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

BROAD AND PANDORA STS. Lot 60x120 open to offer on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

NIAGARA ST. 1½-acre lot and two-story dwelling, $1500. Exceptionally easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

CADBORO BAY ROAD. 3½ acres, near Exhibition Buildings, $1050. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ST. LOUIS ST. House and lot open to offer. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

RICHARDSON ST. Full lot and seven-roomed cottage, $2000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

HARRISON ST. Lot and nice cottage, $1750. $250 cash and balance at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

GOVERNMENT AND JOHN STREETS—Two lots; fine 2-storey dwelling; large new barn; cheap at $2,750; easy terms, Apply 40 Government street. n28

STRAWBERRY VALE. 42½ acres all fenced, 4 miles from city; principal portion under cultivation. Dwelling, barns, etc. $5000. $500 down, balance on time, interest 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

FORT AND VIEW STS. Four lots, either together or single, open to offer on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

GOVERNMENT ST. Cor. Pembrook St. Two lots open to offer, sale or lease, on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

HUMBOLDT STREET. One lot, with water front, open to offer, sale or lease. Apply 40 Government St. n11

THE ARM. 1½ acres cleared, water front, fine site for bungalow; electric light, and water pipes running past premises. Whole amount of purchase money may remain on mortgage at 6 per cent. $3000. Apply 40 Government St. n11

SOMENOS DIST. 160 acres. Two miles from Station, $600. Terms, if necessary. Apply 40 Government St. n11

CEDAR HILL. Tyndall Ave., 50 acres as a whole, or in five-acre blocks. $50 per acre. Well adapted for fruit and chicken ranch. $10 per acre down, and balance in four annual payments, with interest at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

SAHTLAM DIST. 160 acres, near Duncans, 30 acres cleared. Trunk road and never-failing stream runs through property. $1000. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

NORTH SAANICH. 350 acres. 70 acres under cultivation. Good soil, near sea. Strong evidence of coal on this land; $8000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ESQUIMALT ROAD. Near Lagoon, one mile from sea. 100 acres for $500. This is extremely cheap. Apply 40 Government St. n11

QUAMICHAN DIST. 220 acres. Three miles from Duncans Station. Good soil. Stream of water on this property. Suitable for milk ranch or fruit farm. Apply 40 Government St. n11

SOOKE. 317 acres; 80 acres under crop, fenced. Fine buildings. $15000. One of the best farms on the Island. Apply 40 Government St. n11

JORDAN MEADOWS. Fine farm, well stocked, for sale or lease. Terms on application at 40 Government St. n11

A WHOLE ISLAND. Off Sidney. 60 acres, two-story building, etc.; coal croppings. $1200. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ROSS BAY. 10 acres cleared, ready for cultivation; sea frontage. Open to offer. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ESQUIMALT ROAD. 2½ acres cleared and fenced, corner. $3500. Subdivided into town lots, this should sell well. Apply 40 Government St. n11

GORGE ROAD. Four acres and two-story dwelling with all modern conveniences. Fine view. Very suitable home. $12500. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

OUTER WHARF. Three lots, with water frontage. Good location for factory or ship yard. $5500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

$1000. Cash and Twelve annual payments of $500 each, interest at 6 per cent. per annum, will purchase a full lot on principal street with three-storey building, modern conveniences, well adapted for private lodging house. Apply 40 Government St.

$250. Cash and Five annual installments of $500 (with interest at 6 per cent.) will buy two-storey house, with all modern conveniences, and lot 60x100 near Christ church. Apply 40 Government St.

### PROPERTY FOR SALE.

$500. Cash and Five annual installments of $500 will buy a two-storey dwelling and three lots on car line, Victoria West. Apply 40 Government St.

JOHNSON STREET. Below Government, three-storey brick with basement, lot 60x120, easy terms. Price $40,000. All let. Apply 40 Government St.

$500. Cash and Nine annual payments of $500 each will buy a fine two-storey house at Montreal Street, with sea frontage. Apply 40 Government St.

$250. Cash and Eight annual payments of $250 each (with interest at 6 per cent.) will buy a dwelling and two lots on Bayn Street. Apply 40 Government St.

LADNERS LANDING—66 acres underdrained and cultivated; two-storey dwelling, barns, orchard, etc.; price $9,000. Finest soil in the province, easy terms. Apply 40 Government street. d5

GOVERNMENT AND BAY STREETS—Store and dwelling; fine site for family grocer. Open to offer; easy terms. Apply 40 Government street. no15

COR. LANGLEY & BROUGHTON STS. Two lots, $10,000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

JOHNSON STREET. Above Douglas, lot 60x120, three-storey brick and basement 60x100, well located for Factory of any kind, only $10,000. Exceptionally easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

OAK BAY AVENUE. Just below Rockland Avenue. Four lots, $1200, your own terms. Apply 40 Government St.

2½ ACRES. Near Jubilee Hospital, all cleared ready for plough, $1500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

COR. MENZIES AND NIAGARA STS. One acre, $3500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

COR. FORT AND VANCOUVER STS. Cottage and Two lots. $6000, terms. Apply 40 Government St.

CHATHAM ST. Near Cook Street. Lot 60x120. Cottage, 6 rooms, $1100. Exceptionally easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

COR. YATES AND COOK STS. Two-storey dwelling, $3500. $500 cash and balance at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St.

OAK BAY: Cottage and eight lots; high ground, facing the sea. Price $2,100; easy terms; monthly payments. Apply 40 Government street. n28

Stores and offices to let in all parts of the city. Farms for sale in all parts of the Province. Call and see our list of properties for sale and to rent. B. C. LAND AND INVESTMENT AGENCY, 40 Government street.

### TO LET OR LEASE.

TO RENT— Neatly furnished front room for a gentleman. Apply 82 Pandora street. d5.

TO LET—Housekeeping rooms; single and en suite. 90 Douglas street. d6

FOR RENT — Seven-roomed house and stable. 8 North Chatham street, at $10 per month. d5

TO LET—Furnished house; 6 rooms. Apply No. 156 Menzies street, between 1 and 3 p.m. d5

TO LET—Furnished rooms, on car line, with or without breakfast. Mrs. Greig, 117 Menzies street. d3

TO RENT—A modern 7-roomed cottage, stable and outbuildings, with 2 1-3 acres of fine land; situate on Burnside Road, twenty minutes' walk from tram. Apply to Drake, Jackson & Helmcken. d3

TO LET—Rooms and board. 91 Blanchard street. d3

TO LET—Nicely furnished rooms; single or en suite. 182 Fort street. n26

TO LET—Furnished house on South Turner street. For particulars and rent apply to A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street. n21

TO LET—Furnished room, with every convenience. Apply 52 Pandora street. n18

UPPER FLAT of Lewis block, containing seven rooms, suitable for housekeeping or offices. Apply to Lewis Lewis. n9

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Esquimalt, Constance Avenue, lot 50x175; cleared. Price $175; snap. Apply A. E. Street, Esquimalt. d6

FOR SALE—Fresh cow; grade Jersey; aged 4; four gallons daily. Price $65. Apply R. Grubbe, Galiano Island. d6

FOR SALE—Half interest in saloon business. Address "J.B.," Colonist office. d5

FOR SALE—A 4-year-old family driving horse. Apply "Farmer," Colonist. d3

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FOR SALE—Houses and vacant lots in all parts of the city. We have one of the finest lists of property for sale in town. Call and examine our list before purchasing elsewhere. A. W. More & Co., 86 Government street. n21

DAIRY FARM—244 acres, one-half mile frontage on Fraser river; must sell; bad health. Also six building lots. Wm. Andean, Stanley avenue. n19

FOR SALE—A fine driving horse, with buggy and harness. Apply "M," this office. o2

FOR SALE—Farms and residential properties in the vicinity of Duncans; also unimproved land, good soil and situation, at $10 per acre. J. H. Whittome, Agent, Duncans, V. I.

FOR SALE—Two or three of the most desirable building lots in city, with a frontage of 112 feet on the Dallas Road. Address A. O. West, Adelphi Building.

### LOST OR FOUND.

LOST—A small brown King Charles spaniel bitch, Sunday. Anyone harboring same after this notice will be prosecuted. Reward, 66 Yates street.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

COMMERCIAL COURSE—Evening class will be formed early in January in bookkeeping, including commercial arithmetic, commercial correspondence, etc. Arrangements can be made for private instruction in this or other branches. For terms, etc., apply to Dr. S. D. Pope, personally or by letter, at 119 Government street, or 74 Kingston street. d1

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Licensing Board at its next sitting for a transfer to Marion Walt, of Victoria, of my license to sell wines and liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Dallas Hotel, situate on Dallas Road in the City of Victoria, B. C.

Dated this 13th day of November, 1899.

WM. JENSEN

### LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

SONS OF ENGLAND—Alexandra Lodge, A.O.U.W. hall, 2nd and 4th Thursday. J. G. Taylor, secretary.

# The World's Greatest Cave.

## Rev. J. C. Speer Lectures Entertainingly on Kentucky's Greatest Attraction.

### The Descriptive Talk Well Illustrated by Means of the Stereopticon.

It was quite consistent and appropriate that last evening's lecture at A.O.U.W. hall by Rev. J. C. Speer should have been delivered in the semi-darkness necessitated by its stereopticon illustration—for the subject was the "Mammoth Cave of Kentucky," and so graphically did the lecturer picture its many wonders that his audience enjoyed practically all the pleasures of a visit to that most remarkable cavern without any of the attendant discomfort or expense. The attendance was good, and the entertainment—perhaps needless to say—was heartily enjoyed.

The sunday school orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Aaron Parfit, prefaced the lecture with a number of appreciated selections, finally bringing the lecturer to the starting place of his subterranean ramble with "My Old Kentucky Home"—it being in Edmonson county, Kentucky, that the world's most wonderful cave is located. First of all, the original cabin at the mouth of the cave was shown—it is now part of the great rustic tourist hotel with first grade accommodation for more than five hundred guests—then a journey of fifty miles through the majestic underground avenues was taken in fancy, each place of especial importance being pictured on the canvas, the sixty or more fine views being from the original paintings by the Indiana artist, Mr. Ben Davis.

In his introduction, Rev. Mr. Speer described in plain, understandable fashion the geological structure of the mammoth cave district, showing how the cave must really have been chiselled out by water action—the upper stratum being a hard sandstone, and beneath, limestone. Evidently this part of the country in early geological times had been thrown into a more elevated position, and in the upheaval (whether sudden or gradual) certain cleavages had been formed in the sandstone. These are yet marked by great funnels through the country, some of which may even be seen from the railway. These mighty funnels conveyed water into the cave, as some do still, while others have been plugged with debris and their discharge has consequently ceased. Apparently the cave was originally carved out by these waters, together with rivers flowing through from the north and west. The full extent of the cave is not yet known, although the guides and others have surveyed its wonderful avenues for more than 150 miles.

Passing through the original forest, from the hotel, down a gently sloping hill, the lecturer commenced his tour of exploration at the mouth of the cave, sixty feet in height to the overhanging ledge, out of which the crystal stream of water known as the Bridal Veil bursts into feathery spray, and then disappears in the rubble at the door of the cave. Through the mighty iron door kept locked and guarded to prevent the ingress of wild animals or vandals, the lecturer carried his audience with graceful descriptive narrative through Hutchins' Narrows, so named for a hunter who followed a wounder bear to this part and so became one of the pioneers of the cave's explorers—probably the first white man to feast his eyes upon its marvels.

Going through the Narrows, the cave is found to widen until is reached the grave of an Indian woman and her baby found dead in the cave during the early days of the century. Still widening, the cave attains such lofty proportions that its vaulted roof is lost to sight, and can only be viewed by the use of the Bengal lights—this being the rotunda of the cave, and directly under the great hotel.

Traversing Audubon avenue the traveller comes to a cave on the left that is known as Little Bat room, from the myriads of bats populating its farther end. There is a pit in this cave that drops down probably a hundred feet to caves below. At another point on Audubon avenue are passed the famous mushroom beds, out of which a company once proposed to make a fortune. The promoter of the affair absconded, however, before the experiment could be tried, and the company was the only mushroom ever produced.

Following beautiful Audubon avenue until it narrows and comes out on a sloping hill in the cave, by a sharp turn to the right one comes upon what is known as the Lonely Sentinel, a union of stalachtite and stalagmite formation reaching from floor to roof, white as alabaster and standing out in bold relief against the awful darkness of the place. Returning to the main cave, one next visits what is christened the Methodist Church, a splendid cathedral-shaped chamber, with a ledge extending from one side, pulpit-like, from which long ago the pioneer ministers preached to the saltpetre miners. In close proximity is another imposing chamber, Booth's theatre, which the great actor gave his name to, and in which some of his greatest passages were declaimed.

Gothic avenue here branches from the main cave, and passes the Three Graces, a trinity of exceedingly beautiful stalactites, the Bridal Altar, the Pillared Castle, Lookout Mountais, Lover's Leap, and the Abyss, each with its own strange and fascinating romance.

Directly underneath Gothic avenue and reached by a difficult and somewhat hazardous descent, is Napoleon's Dome, rising to a height of ninety feet or more from the cavern floor; and a little farther on, the Dining Hall, Wandering Willie's Spring, Anetta's Dome (so lofty that its crown cannot be seen without the Bengal lights), and the first of the series of rooms in which specimens of blind beetles, thousand legged worms and snow-white crustaceans are to be secured.

Returning to the main cave and then going south, one comes to the great saltpetre vats that have played an important part in the history of the United States. The clay of this cave contains a large proportion of saltpetre, and during the war of 1812, when ammunition could not be secured abroad these deposits were mined by the most primitive methods, and saved the fortunes of the United States.

The Giant's Coffin, Dante's Gateway, Standing Rocks, the mysterious phantom statue of Martha Washington—the one and only ghost fo the cave, and a curious optical illusion formed by cave-angles and lights; the most wonderful Star Chamber; Ganter's Cave, the Steeps of Time, the Bridge of Sighs, the Botomless Pit (into which the preacher valiantly descended and from which he emerged scathless); Sidesaddle Rock; Echo river (with its curious blind fish); and Shakespeare's Gallery—each are visited and graphically described.

The gallery takes its name from a so-called picture on the wall, which with a very slight exercise of imagination may be recognized as Shakespeare's portrait. In a similar chamber, Rev. Mr. Speer had the good luck to discover a somewhat picture of Tennyson, seated at his desk, a readily recognized three-quarter view, from which this apartment is of course named. Echo river justifies its name, for it is asserted that at no other place on the face of the earth (or under it) is an echo so multiplied and modified. The last notes of a song return faintly but with distinctness after one has counted a hundred slowly and with precision; while the report of a revolver is multiplied until it becomes the thunder of many cannon.

Returning, the exploring tourist traverses Cleveland's Cabinet, White's Cave, Wild Hall, Revellers' Hall, the Egyptian Temple, and Bandit Hall, emerging ultimately by means of the Corkscrew at what is termed the "vestry door" of the Methodist Church.

The lecturer leaves his party in the sunlight beauty of Green river, into which Echo river ultimately discharges its ice-cold waters.


SICK HEADACHES.

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## CANADA AT PARIS EXPOSITION.

Exhibits for the Dominion will Outnumber Even Those at World's Fair.

From our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The number of exhibits from Canada at the Paris exposition will greatly exceed those sent to any previous exhibition, the World's Fair not excepted, if the live stock exhibit is not counted. At the present time the total number of entries exceeds 800, but by the time the books are closed it will probably be over a thousand. It is not yet known whether there will be a live stock exhibit.

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## ONTARIO BYE-ELECTIONS.

Nominations for Four Vacancies in Provincial House Made Yesterday.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—Nominations for the Ontario legislature bye-elections were held to-day as follows:

West Elgin—McNish, Liberal; Macdermid, Conservative.

South Brant—Preston, government; Henry, Conservative.

South Ontario—Calder, Conservative; Dryden, Liberal.

East Elgin—Brower, Conservative; McIntyre, Liberal.

## INSPIRATION FOR GENIUS.

Great Prize Offered by Wealthy Parisian for Discovery During Exhibition Year.

Paris, Dec. 5.—M. Osiris, a wealthy Parisian noted for his charities and public spirit, has presented to the Institute of France a sum representing an annual income of 32,000 francs for a triennial prize of 100,000 francs for the most remarkable work or discovery of general interest, especially in the fields of surgery and medicine, in the exhibition year. The prize is open to all countries.

## WINNIPEG CIVIC ELECTIONS.

Overshadowed in Interest by the Warm Political Contest to Be Decided This Week.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—(Special) — The Manitoba municipal nominations took place to-day throughout the province. In this city the contest for the mayoralty is between Ald. Horace Wilson and Ald. T. G. Mathews. Home and Frye were elected by acclamation. Polling takes place in the city on Tuesday next, and in all other outside municipalities two weeks hence. There is very little interest in the matter as the provincial elections are overshadowing municipal politics.


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## THE MORMON CONGRESSMAN.

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Washington, Dec. 4.—The formal memorial and protest against the admission of Brigham S. Roberts to a seat in congress was circulated in printed form and placed on the desks of members during the day. The main points are that Roberts is not a citizen since "at all times after 1883 he was and now is a bigamist and polygamist," contrary to the laws; that he has been prosecuted and punished for "unlawful cohabitation with more than one woman"; that he was born of British parents within the British realm, and has never renounced his allegiance to Queen Victoria."

## SOUTH AMERICAN FIREWORKS.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—A despatch from Guatemala received here under yesterday's date, says the revolt on the frontier of San Salvador has been suppressed.


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## COTTON MILL WAGES.

Boston, Dec. 5.—The movement to advance wages in cotton mill centres has become general throughout the New England States. Up to this evening nearly one hundred operatives had been notified of a ten per cent. advance and the outlook indicated that most of the mills which had not made any announcement would soon do so.


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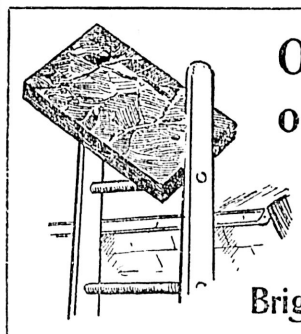

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## Finance and Commerce

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 5.—Events in the stock market brought additional discouragement to those who had been attempting to maintain or advance prices of securities. Liquidation was the order of the day and many holders who have waited for weeks on deferred hopes of the situation clearing up and the bull market being inaugurated threw their holdings over to-day. Closing quotations;

| | |
|---|---|
| Amn. Cotton Oil ..... N. | 25⅛ |
| Amn. Tob. | 115 |
| Amn. Sugar | 151⅝ |
| Anaconda | 44 |
| A. T. & S. F. all paid | 22 |
| A. S. & W. | 46½ |
| B. & O. | 55½ |
| B. R. T. | 82⅝ |
| Can. Sou. | 53¼ |
| Chicago Gas | 111 |
| C. & N. W. | 108 |
| C. R. I. & P. | 112⅛ |
| C. M. & St. P | 123⅝ |
| Con. Tob. com. | 39½ |
| Con. Gas, N. Y. | 92 |
| Col. Fuel & Iron | 54½ |
| C. C. C. & St. L. | 62¼ |
| D. & H. | 120 |
| D. & R. G. | 74¼ |
| D. S. S. & A. | 6¾ |
| Fed. Steel | 59⅝ |
| General Elec | 125 |
| J. C. | 122⅛ |
| L. E. & W. | 120 |
| L. & N. | 83⅛ |
| Man. | 103⅛ |
| Mo. Pac. | 47 |
| Met. | 191¾ |
| N. P. com. new | 55¼ |
| N. P. pfd. | 76¼ |
| N. Y. C. & H. | 133⅛ |
| N. Y. L. T. & W. | 35½ |
| N. Y. O. & W. | 25 |
| Pac. Mail | 48½ |
| P. & R. all paid | 20 |
| Pullman | 192½ |
| Sou. Ry. com. | 12¾ |
| Sou. Pac. | 40⅛ |
| T. C. & I. | 112⅞ |
| Texas & Pacific | 17¾ |
| U. S. Leather | 11⅝ |
| U. S. Rubber | 46¼ |
| Wabash | 7¾ |
| W. U. | 87¾ |
| Com. Cable in Montreal | 191¾@194 |
| C. P. R. in London | 97 |

PRODUCE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Wheat closed—Dec. 67⅝@½c., May 69⅝@⅞c. Corn—Dec. No. 2—30¼c., Jan. 30⅛@½c., May 32⅝@¾c. Oats—No. 2 Dec. 22⅝@½c., May 24½c.

## Shares and Produce.

(Furnished by J. T. McKillop, Broker.)

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The following quotations ruled the Board of Trade:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | |
| Man | 69⅛ | 69¾ | 69 | 69¾ |
| July | 69⅝ | 70½ | 69⅝ | 70⅛ |
| Corn— | | | | |
| May | 32¼ | 32¾ | 32⅛ | 32¾ |
| Pork— | | | | |
| May | 9.75 | 9.85 | 9.72½ | 9.85 |
| Liverpool Wheat— | | | | |
| May | 5s 9d | ..... | ..... | 5s 9½d |

New York, Dec. 5.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amn. Sugar | 153 | 155⅝ | 151⅛ | 151⅝ |
| C. B. & Q. | 132⅞ | 133¼ | 131¾ | 132 |
| C. M. & St. P. | 124⅛ | 124½ | 123⅝ | 123⅞ |
| Manhattan | 105¼ | 105¾ | 103⅞ | 104¼ |
| People's Gas | 112⅝ | 112½ | 111 | 111 |
| C. R. I. & P. | 112⅞ | 112⅞ | 112⅛ | 112⅛ |
| Amn. Tobacco | 115½ | 116¼ | 115 | 115 |
| A.T. & S.F. pfd. | 65½ | 65½ | 64¼ | 64¼ |
| U. P. pfd | 76⅝ | 77⅛ | 76⅝ | 76½ |
| T. C. & I. | 112¾ | 113½ | 112¾ | 112⅞ |
| A.T. & S.F. com. | 22½ | 22½ | 22 | 22 |
| L. & N. | 84⅜ | 84⅜ | 83⅛ | 83¼ |
| B. R. T. | 84¾ | 84¾ | 82⅝ | 83⅝ |
| U.P. com. | 50⅛ | 50⅛ | 48¼ | 48¼ |
| A. S. & W. com. | 47¼ | 48 | 46½ | 46½ |
| Fed. Steel com. | 61 | 61½ | 59¾ | 59¾ |

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## PARLIAMENT SUPREME.

Vienna, Dec. 5.—The committee appointed to deal with paragraph 14 which conferred on the government power to carry on the affairs of the nation by administrative decree in the event of parliamentary obstruction, is decided by a vote of 20 to 12 in favor of the eliminating of the paragraph from the constitution.

## THE DIAMOND CASE.

Chicago, Dec. 4.— Judge Louis Wilfrid Sicotte of Montreal to-day began in Chicago, as commissioner, to take depositions of witnesses for the Court of Queen's Bench at Montreal, at the instance of creditors in Chicago and elsewhere, who are prosecuting Mrs. Evangelina Clara O'Neil in Canada on the charge of attempting to dispose of her property for the purpose of defrauding her creditors.


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## THE WAR.

At the time of writing there has practically been no war news for twenty-four hours. A despatch received yesterday morning said it was reported that Cronje had withdrawn on Bloemfontein, which was the view of the case advanced by this paper. In the absence of definite information, however, the most that any one can do it to think out what he would do himself if he were situated as the Boers are.

The news that Mafeking has been relieved "automatically," as we suggested some time ago might be probable, seems to be generally credited. This will release some good fighting material, which our generals can use elsewhere, although the force in that town is not large.

We are almost without anything to guide us to a conclusion as to the condition of things in Natal. It is said that Joubert must have from 15,000 to 20,000 men there. If this is all his force, we greatly outnumber him, and his position, while temporarily safe, must in the end prove extremely precarious. Gen. Buller is evidently taking his time about attacking. Doubtless he desires when he strikes a blow that it will be decisive. It is quite possible that Joubert's army may be annihilated when Buller gets ready to take the offensive. We can only speculate as to where our forces are, but shall not be surprised to learn that they will be so disposed as to be able, with the help of the Ladysmith garrison, to cut off Joubert's retreat by way of Laing's Nek and compel him to get out of Natal into the Free State with the remnant of his army, in which case Buller could get between him and Pretoria and compel him to accept battle on the level plains of the Free State, with Methuen upon his left flank and Gatacre in his rear.

## THE MAYORALTY.

Mr. Redfern, according to his statement to a Colonist reporter, will not be a candidate for the mayoralty at the next election. Mr. Redfern has been a very industrious and painstaking official, and though the Colonist has had at times to criticize his course in some particulars it freely acknowledges that he has in very many respects set an example which his successors will do well to follow. We shall have more to say on this point on a more suitable occasion.

Mr. Charles Hayward says that he will be a candidate. He needs no introduction to the people of Victoria, but we may say that his discharge of his duties as alderman during the last year has deservedly increased his popularity and shown that he possesses an aptitude for municipal affairs.

## WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Let us suppose for a moment that Mr. Turner had remained in power in this province. If he had, there are some things which would not have happened. The development of Atlin would not have been retarded by unwise legislation, and the mining industry of the Slocan would not have received a black eye in the shape of the eight-hour law. We have no authority to speak for Mr. Turner in respect to this piece of legislation, but we know what course the Colonist would have advised as his cordial supporter. If the miners of the province asked for eight-hour legislation, the Colonist would have advised that a conference of miners and mine-owners should be held and that an understanding should be reached between them as to what would be best for all concerned before any law was placed on the statute book. No one can deny that the mischievous legislation in regard to aliens, the granting of hydraulic leases and the hours of labor in the metalliferous mines had the effect of checking the flow of capital then directed to this province. The world was beginning to look very favorably upon this province as a field for investment. Confidence, which, as we all know, is a plant of slow growth, was beginning to make its influence felt, and the outlook was very favorable indeed. Then came the mischievous and demagogic legislation of last session, and incalculable harm resulted.

If Mr. Turner had remained in power there is no manner of doubt that railway construction from the Coast to the Interior at three points would now be in progress. An all-Canadian line to the Yukon and an independent route to Kootenay were assured by the action of the legislature taken at the instance of Mr. Turner. Both these projects have been stopped for an indefinite period and in connection with one of them the hateful brand of repudiation has been imprinted upon the fair record of this province. These matters are known to the public, but it is not generally known that the change of ministry and the repealing legislation of last session prevented the inauguration of the British Pacific project. Such is literally the case, as we know from private sources, which cannot be made public without a breach of confidence. We may, however, say that within a month the representative of capitalists able and willing to construct that line, have written to Victoria asking if there was an chance of having that project restored to the position it occupied a year ago.

The harm that was done to British Columbia when Mr. Turner was removed from office and the present combination was installed is not easily realized. Mr. Turner took a broad, comprehensive and statesmanlike view of the province and its requirements. His successors do not. Mr. Turner was not afraid to commit the province to a policy of development commensurate with its resources. His successors are. Mr. Turner was not a demagogue. The ruling spirit among his successors is.

It was an unfortunate day for British Columbia when Mr. Turner went out of office, and it would be a fortunate day for the province if he could be restored to the premiership, for individually he represents that spirit of optimism and aggressiveness, which is necessary for the proper development of all new countries.

## DIRECT MISREPRESENTATION.

The Grand Forks Miner, speaking of the Coast papers generally, says they have "but now and then in an obscure corner a brief reference to the progress of affairs in the Boundary and the Kootenays." The Colonist will only undertake to speak for itself in denying this assertion. Taking the month of November for an example, the Colonist during that month printed 366 inches of matter directly relating to the Boundary and the Kootenays, and if Cariboo and Lillooet are included in the list, the amount of space devoted to the mining interests of the Interior will be found to be at least 450 inches during the month. No other subject except the war, and we may say no two other subjects, received the same amount of attention as did the Boundary and the Kootenays at the hands of the Colonist during the month of November, and what is true of that month is true of almost any month that can be selected. Moreover, this news from the Interior has its regular place assigned to it in the paper, and every reader knows exactly where to look for it. We pay some attention to this matter, because we know it is a practice of the people of the Interior to say that the Coast papers give their interests no attention. It may be admitted that the Coast papers do not print very many editorials on Kootenay questions. During November the Colonist had only three. But we reprint what the Kootenay papers say about their interests, which ought to be better than anything we can say, for those on the ground understand such matters very much better than those at a distance.

## "ONE MORE UNFORTUNATE."

The following is from the Conservative Wellington Enterprise:

We cordially agree with the position taken by the Colonist on the question of contesting the next local election on party lines. It must not be forgotten that in the ranks of the present opposition in the legislature are many honest Liberals, and surely it must appear like treasen to them as present allies to place future action on the probability of defeating the present government by and with their assistance. Although the system of selecting candidates to contest constituencies by conventions has been in vogue in Eastern Canada for many years it does not follow that such a system it suited to the electorate of this province. Conventions are but a means by which designing tricksters secure by a catch and packed vote a nominee who will work, not for the advancement of the interests of the province, but in the groove of those who have axes to grind and money to make. The electors of this province are of too independent a turn of mind to submit to any conventional dictation as to who shall or who shall not represent them. The scandals incidental to the political history of Eastern Canada, where the "machine" rule is the only one known in electoral contests, are of the most vulgar notoriety, and such a condition of things we hope never to see in this province; and to prevent it, let the electors of this province resolutely set their faces against party lines and conventional nominations.

Thus our unhappy contemporary takes its stand in the ranks of outcasts, along with the Colonist, the News-Advertiser, the Kamloops Standard, the Nelson Economist and the Nelson Miner. We do not know that the last named paper has expressed itself very positively on the party-line question, but it has bolted the convention on the eight-hour question, and so is as bad as the rest of us. And alas! there are no other Conservative papers in the province.

We reprint from the Times a letter written by Lt.-Col. Gregory touching the honorarium to the band for its services in connection with the patriotic concert. This ought to end the discussion.

Mr. Ludloff, whose letter on the gold conglomerates of the Cariboo attracted so much attention, came to British Columbia with an introduction from Prof. William Saunders, of the experimental farms, to whom he bore letters from eminent authorities in Russia.

The police commissioners have decided to make the salary of the chief of police $125 a month. That is very good, but try again gentlemen and see if you cannot get it up to $150. This was the figure suggested by Ald. Beckwith at the city council on Monday night and it is a reasonable figure.

We commend the tone of the Province in speaking of the manual training school which is likely to be established in this city through the munificence of Sir W. C. Macdonald. The Province says it will be the duty of Vancouver to watch the operation of the school here, and to profit by the results.

To shake dice to settle who should have a judgeship is something novel, the person who adopted it saying that as there were four persons from whom the choice was to be made by lot, this was the only absolutely fair way. The case was peculiar. Four judges were elected two of them by law were to serve two years and two of them for four years, and the law also said that the distribution of the terms should be by lot. The chief engineer of the fire department was appointed to superintend the lottery. He insisted on dice, for he said each man was entitled to an equal chance, and if they drew slips of paper out of a box, the chances would not be equal, because the first man would have one chance in four and the others would have other ratios.

## PRESS OPINION.

### PROHIBITION REDIVIVUS.

Some Liberal papers are seriously discussing the petition of the New Brunswick prohibitionists in which the Governor-General is asked to dismiss the Laurier government because of its breaking its pledges in connection with the prohibition plebiscite. Conscience doth make cowards of us all.—Montreal Gazette.

### A GOOD CROP.

From the looks of things at present in the political line there will be no shortage of candidates in this section for the provincial legislature.—Lillooet Prospector.

### BOUNDARY'S GRIEVANCE.

There is no political matter at the present time more important than this one of representation, both Provincial and Dominion. Everybody now admits that it was a mistake to have tacked on the Boundary to the Rossland riding, and we agree with our contemporary that the time has arrived when the mistake should be remedied. It is to be hoped that at the next session of parliament a measure will be introduced giving the Boundary country separate representation. There is no reason why this should not be done. There can be no excuse for longer delay in the matter.—Greenwood Miner.

### VANCOUVER ISLAND MINES.

While operations are checked or entirely suspended by the heavy snow fall in the interior of the Mainland, the Island mines are in full swing during the winter season. This fact, as well as the superior facilities for access, should weigh largely in favor of our Island mineral deposits as objects for investment, for every mining man will acknowledge that nothing is more calculated to demoralize and destroy the prestige of a mine, both locally and on the stock market, than "closing down," for any reason, and for however brief a time.—Nanaimo Herald.

### THE MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

It appears that Victoria has succeeded in securing the establishment there of the manual training school provided for British Columbia under Sir William McDonald's liberal scheme. As the Province pointed out at the time when the gift was first announced, the selection of locations and kindred matters were largely in Commissioner Robertson's hands, as he was in fact the cause of Sir William McDonald's generous offer being made. As Mr. Robertson has deemed Victoria the better location for the attainment of the objects in view, Vancouver will accept his verdict as philosophically as possible, though it was well ta make an effort to secure the advantage of having the school settled here.—The Province.

## Letters to the Editor.

### THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

Sir: Much has been said on the subject of the qualification of the chief, but there is one qualification that should carry great weight in the selection if not made of paramount importance—that he should be a total abstainer, and this in time should be made applicable to the other members of the force, (or who knows but what we may have the same or similar experience again). They would then be proof against the proffered glass either from the saloons or other places. You, Mr. Editor, are to be commended for the stand you have taken in this matter. The system certainly does want overhauling and this should be carried out with as little delay as possible. It is much to be preferred that the gentlemen who have the matter in hand should carry it to a conclusion rather than leave it to others who might not be so anxious to see it enacted.

REFORM.

### THE PATRIOTIC CONCERT.

From the Victoria Times.

To the Editor: The writer in your edition of last evening, signing himself "One Who Took Part," would, I think, have shown a better spirit is he had made his views known to the committee before publishing his criticism. He professes not to believe the rumor that the Fifth Regiment band is to be paid, and yet he takes the best means of spreading the same. If he had interviewed the committee, I am sure he would have been quite satisfied after receiving their explanation, which is very fairly made in this morning's Colonist. It is hardly necessary to defend the band against the charge of ungenerous conduct, their many performances for local charities, etc., is well known. They gave their services for the first of the patriotic concerts and offered them again for the second. "One Who Took Part" does not, perhaps, appreciate that it costs a great deal of money to keep a band together, and the Saturday night concerts are one of the sources from which the necessary funds are obtained. The band is sustained by monthly subscriptions from the officers of the regiment and from their own performances, and the citizens at large can congratulate themselves on having such a good band without any cost to the general public. The difference in the case between "One Who Took Part" and the members of the band in this case, is that the bandsmen had already given their services for a performance and that if they had been permitted to do it again it would have been equivalent to an actual cash contribution of at least $40. I offered the committee to let the band play without charge if they would hold the concert on some night through the week, but the committee preferred to take Saturday night and pay $35.

"One Who Took Part" was not justified in supposing that "all taking part were giving their services," as it was published in the advance notices of the concert that it was intended to pay the Fifth Regiment band in consideration of their giving up their regular Saturday night concert, and the naval band, who so kindly gave their services, with the permission of Read Admiral Beaumont and officers of the flagship, were informed of this by letter before the concert took place.

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### BELIEF IN DREAMS.

One Man's Story Had Sequel Seldom Heard in Similar Tales.

"Do you believe in dreams?" said a man about town. "Of course, nobody likes to admit it, but I have just had an experience that makes me chary about scoffing at such faith. One night about a week ago I had a vivid dream, in which I found myself on a familiar corner in the heart of the city. A street car was about to pass, and, after hesitating, as one sometimes will, I had a sudden impulse and darted forward. I would have had time enough to get across in safety, but I caught my toe on the near rail and fell sprawling on my face right in front of the car. Oh, the horror of that moment! I heard the motorman ring his gong like mad; I saw a confused movement in the crowd, and then something bore me down with the weight of mountains. I knew I was being crushed under the wheels, but I felt no pain, and the ghastly thought flashed to my mind that my head had been cut off. It seems grotesque to tell, but I awoke bathed in sweat, in a spasm of mortal terror. That hideous dream was repeated three nights in succession, and now let me tell you the sequel. This morning I was hurrying up Canal street, and foolishly started to pass a car just as the conductor rang his bell. As I did so I suddenly remembered an old garbage barrel with some planks leaning against it that stood on the curb, and the discovery startled me so terribly that I lost my balance, caught my foot on the rail, and fell headlong right across the track just as the car started. I was so close that I struck against the edge of the steps as I went down." Well, what happened?" exclaimed a breathless listener. "Nothing," replied the narrator. "The car was going the other way."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

### TWO FINE SPECIMENS

Of Physical Manhood.

No form of athletic exercise demands such perfect physical condition as prize fighting. Every muscle in the body must be fully developed and supple, and the heart, lungs and stomach must act to perfection.

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[By Mr. Napier Denison.]

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| Time. | Height above zero | Time. | Height above zero |
| 7:40 a.m. | 9.7 feet. | 8:00 a.m. | 9.6 feet. |
| 10:40 a.m. | 10.4 feet. | 11:00 a.m. | 10.4 feet. |
| 4:00 p.m. | 9.0 feet. | 4:20 p.m. | 8.3 feet. |
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Mrs. J. B. Young, of Vancouver, is at the Driard with a fine lot of hand-painted china, which can be seen at any time for the next three days. Mrs. Young, besides taking orders for above, is prepared to mend or re-decorate old china. *

Our Christmas stock is now complete. Crystallized Fruits, Chocolates and Sweets of all descriptions. Make your choice early. Clay's. *

To-day the James Bay Methodist church Ladies' Aid hold a doyly tea at the residence of Mrs. D. Spencer, Birdcage Walk, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Admission free. Tea and cake, 10 cents. Candies will also be sold. A social concert will be given at 7:30. Admission 25 cents. Refreshments. *

Now is the time to examine our line of ebony brushes and mirrors for Xmas gifts. "Calling" at Fawcett's means that you are made welcome. Unless you like, don't buy. F. W. Fawcett & Co., 49 Government street. *

The Rival Railway Schemes.—The city assessor having reported the law thoroughly complied with in respect to the requisite signatures to the petition for submission of a by-law on the Chilliwack railway scheme, such a by-law is now in course of preparation, and will probably be presented to the council for first reading at the regular meeting on Monday evening next. The notice stands in the name of Alderman Beckwith, but is approved by the special committee having the subject in hand. The Angeles ferry project also stands in abeyance, pending the return of President Cushing and his associates from Boston, on Sunday next. Before the by-laws, or either of them, are offered to the rate-payers, it is highly probable that other propositions will be presented, looking to a fast steamer service to Vancouver, Puget sound and Northern ports, and for railways to the northern end of the Island and to the West Coast.

All the tourists stay at the International Hotel, 40 Johnson street. *

A Clean Slate.—Not even a drunk graced (or disgraced) the police court dock yesterday morning, the chief, for the first time in many days, presenting a clean slate.

Owen Smiley. A. O. U. W. hall, December 11. *

Meet This Morning.—The special committee having in hand the consideration of the question of settling the Point Ellice bridge damage cases are to hold a special meeting this morning at 11 o'clock in the city hall.

Please call at Russell's, 134 Douglas street, any time before Xmas. Bring the children with you. It will delight them and please you. *

Home Nursing Society.—The annual meeting of this benevolent association is to be held at the city hall at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. Subscribers and all others interested in the year's work are cordially invited to be present.

The great entertainer—Owen Smiley. *

Sale of Work.—The ladies of St. James church held a very successful sale of work yesterday afternoon, with a good attendance and a well-arranged and attractive stock of both plain and fancy needle-work, the greater part of which found purchasers at good prices.

Will Build in the Spring.—It is anticipated that the arrangements of the Congregationalists looking to the erection of a new church home at the corner of Pandora street and Cook will have been sufficiently advanced to permit of building being undertaken in the early spring. At present the preparations in this direction are at a standstill.

Don't miss Owen Smiley next Monday. *

A Good Crop of Thistles.—Now that the government building's lawn has begun to present an attractive appearance, in its brilliant green, it would be quite in order if the minister of agriculture would direct some of its staff to see to the eradication of the numerous thistles that at present flourish on the west side. The groundsel might also very well be spared.

A Serious Accident.—While engaged in cleaning part of the apparatus at the James Bay fire hall yesterday, Fireman Colin Blain had the misfortune to fall from the hose wagon, slipping his shoulder blade and sustaining such other injuries as to necessitate his immediate removal to the hospital. What makes the accident a serious one is that a similar mishap befell the victim a few years ago, when he was under hospital care for many months.

Look out for the White House Christmas sale of silks and millinery on Friday and Saturday. *

The Sidewalk Is No More.—Residents of West Victoria are happy, to a moderate extent. The objectionable sidewalk across Craigflower road has been removed by order of the city, and the interested residents accept this as a good omen that the rest of their petitions will be granted later on. Indeed, the light on the reservation is already promised—when funds permit—and the incoming council has been asked to do what it can in the matter of a fire hall.

Go to Smiley's concert Dec. 11. *

Fill the Holes.—One would naturally think that the sidewalk surrounding the city hall would at all times be maintained in good condition. Such is not the rule in Victoria, however. At present there are holes, on the police station side, which each successive rain fills with water, and in which wet feet are constantly secured. Some time perhaps a sprained or broken ankle and a damage claim will emphasize the necessity of having these holes attended to.

Provincial License Commission.—The semi-annual meeting of the district license board is set for the 15th instant, at which date all holders of provincial licenses are required to make fresh applications for license privileges, opening their premises to inspection and producing proof that their applications have been duly advertised. The new system, with its numerous complications, is far from approved by the licensees, who regard it as a monumental illustration of red-tapism.

Owen Smiley's concert next Monday. *

Christmas Examinations.—Although the city public school authorities have availed themselves of the privilege contained in the regulations, and decided to hold promotion examinations annually hereafter, in mid-summer, instead of semi-annually, there will be the usual public examinations for admission to the High school, these being conducted under the auspices of the education department. What few class promotions are made in the various schools will be without the formality of examinations by the respective principals.

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Will Increase the Salary.—The board of police commissioners held a special session yesterday morning, to which the press were not invited, and of which the press had no notification, at which it was decided to reconsider the question of salary attached to the office of Chief of Police, and fix the stipend at $125 per month, instead of $100. The advertisement inviting applicants for the vacant position was ordered to be amended in accordance with the changed conditions, and the only other business brought forward, according to the statements of those who were present, was in the form of a report from Chief Sheppard. It is not thought that the augmentation of the salary will be taken as sufficient cause for the withdrawal of their applications by any of the prospective occupants of the office. The names of Sergeant Langley, Provincial Constable Murray and ex-Alderman John Macmillan are as yet the ones most frequently mentioned in connection with the vacant position, although the name of Mr. W. P. Winsby is also mentioned.

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### THOSE MURDER MYSTERIES.

Best Men in the Country Find Themselves Baffled—A New Theory in the Powers Case.

Sergeant John M. Langley and Provincial Constable Murray, who had been assisting the city detective staff during the prosecution of their inquiries in connection with the Bings and Powers murder cases, have returned to their duties on the provincial force. The Pinkerton and other specially skilled experts who were engaged, have retired from the case discomfitted. The local officers are still compelled reluctantly to confess themselves baffled—they have absolutely nothing to report after weeks of unremittent labor.

As for the butchery of Mrs. Bings, police experts were from the first inclined to regard the case as one of a peculiar class, defying all systematic efforts at its solution. Such a case it proved to be.

With regard to the killing of poor Mike Powers, it seemed different, and were it not for the fact that the best special agency men in the West have tried their skill and retired defeated, the public might form the conclusion that the home detectives had been lacking either in energy or in skill.

The inquiries of the experts, however, convinced them of but one new feature, so far as the public are concerned—that although Powers himself believed he had knowledge of the identity of his assailants, he was in reality mistaken.

It is now the accepted theory that the murder was done by some unknown man who sought to satisfy a personal grudge against Powers by giving him a beating—but with no thought of inflicting serious injury.

### VICTORIAN GETS CONTRACT.

Tramway to the Lenora Mine to Be Built at Once—Plenty of Ore at Hand.

In order to improve their shipping facilities and thereby reduce the cost of marketing their ore, the management of the Lenora mine at Mount Sicker have let a contract to John Haggerty of this city for the construction of a horse tramway from the mine to the railway, a distance of about four miles. The contractor is now engaging men to prosecute construction work, and it is expected that the tramway will be in operation within five or six weeks, when shipments will be increased to at least forty tons per diem.

The men of the Lenora are still working continuously, getting out ore and doing development work, but are stoping no ore. In a new upraise and cross-cut at the top, they have got a ten-foot body of ore which they are not yet through; while there is 250 tons of ore at the mine, ready for shipment, and 20 tons a day is being taken out of the mine. At Oyster Bay a lot of 400 tons is awaiting shipment, and the company not only hope but expect to get out 4,000 tons prior to the 1st of May, this amount and more being now in sight.

The men of the Lenora have recently cross-cut the vein at the 200 foot level; while the workers on the adjoining property, the Tyee, on the same vein, have got their ore at the 160 and 200 foot levels.

Fifth Regiment Ball.—The date of December 15 (Friday week) has been fixed for that annual treat, tht Fifth regiment ball, and applications for invitations must be sent in not later than Saturday, the 9th instant.

Fine or No Fine.—Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., which some time ago did away with the fine which had for many years been imposed on members for non-attendance at funerals, will this evening consider its re-imposition, notice to that effect having been given four weeks ago. The number of Columbia lodge members who now turn out to a deceased brother's funeral is very small, and it is thought that a fine of $1 for not attending will help increase the size of the procession. A lively discussion will doubtless take place.

Gone to the Asylum.—Solomon Martens, the seafaring man who several weeks ago received serious injuries by descending hurriedly from the upper window of the Telegraph hotel, to be picked up unconscious, on the sidewalk hours later, has been sent to the insane asylum at New Westminster, on a certificate signed by Drs. Fraser and Gibbs. An operation in trepanning had been performed some short time before by his attending physician, and Martens appeared to be making very satisfactory progress toward recovery. Then Dr. Hasell, superintendent of the Jubilee hospital, discovered that he was a dangerous patient and sent him to the police station. Dr. Hall, who had been attending the sufferer from the first, was asked to sign the asylum committal order, and declined, intimating that he regarded the man as a subject for hospital, not asylum, treatment, and that he could not by any stretch of conscience regard him as a lunatic. It will be interesting to note what changes takes place now that the unfortunate man is classed among the inmates of the asylum.

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Death of a Popular Commander.—The many patrons of the Bennett Lake & Klondike Navigation Company's steamers Ora and Flora will learn with regret of the death of Capt. O. S. Waud, who was master of the steamer Ora during the past season. Word has been received of the captain's death at Dawson on Thursday, November 16. In Capt. Waud the company loses one of the brightest of the Yukon pilots and a man esteemed far and near as a navigator, and personally popular with all.

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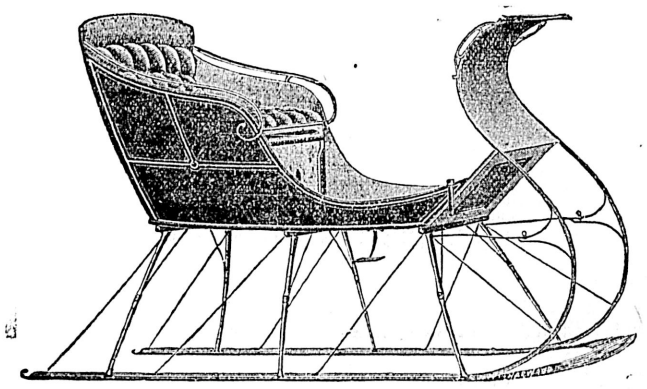

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# The Storm's Victims.

## Crew of the Lost Libertad Await Transportation to Callao.

## Victoria Ready for the Nome Rush--Steamer Tees From the North.

The crew of the wrecked Peruvian ship Libertad are still at the Queen's hotel, awaiting the arrival from Vancouver of the Peruvian consul, from whom they hope to secure assistance to return to Callao. "There we are known," said the cook, an old colored man, yesterday. "We lost everything we owned and even this suit of clothes I have on was given me. It would be useless for us to expect work in this city. We are all strangers here and I am sick; I could not work." There are eleven of the men, only one of whom, the cook, can speak English. They believe that the Libertad sank soon after they left her, for she was lying on her beam ends soon after they had started out for shore. The Libertad had been once a very staunch vessel, but was very old. She belonged to a wealthy Italian named Francesco Irena, living in Callao, who owns a number of vineyards in Peru and who exports a large amount of wines every year. Whether or not the Libertad or her cargo was insured the crew do not know. She was formerly under Chilian register and earlier in her career carried the French flag. The storm in which she sprang aleak the cook, describes as the worst he had ever seen, and he did not much wonder at the vessel giving way. The night before they abandoned her the crew worked with desperation and were drenched to the skin by almost every sea. They could cook nothing and could get no warmth, but their lot was not much worse than that of the crew of the Hera, previously described. The Hera was bound for Honolulu when wrecked and there had been some little insurance on her cargo but so far as known none on the vessel.

### LOOKING TOWARD NOME.

Indications That the Alpha and Amur Will Take Many Passengers.

As time advances the number of inquiries from the East and elsewhere concerning transportation to the Cape Nome gold fields from Victoria in the spring multiplies daily. That the steamers Alpha and Amur will have all the passengers they can accommodate on their first trips seems now almost certain, and they are large vessels capable, when the alterations at present in progress have been completed, of carrying between them five hundred or six hundred passengers at least. These steamers are the only ones of the Victoria fleet which have as yet been announced for the Nome service, but should there be call for others, the C. P. N. Company will be in a position to put a fleet of first class vessels in the business. The Alpha, according to present plans, will be the first to sail. Already a purser and agent has been appointed for her in the person of Mr. A. W. Shoop, while Captain Otto Buckholtz, who had charge of her recently completed trip to Nome, will, it is expected, be in command. Traffic northward so dull lately because of the winter setting in, is expected to improve after Christmas when the trails to Dawson and Atlin can be relied upon.

### RETURNS FROM THE NORTH.

The Tees Returns From Skagway With Few Passengers.

Shortly before 6 last evening the C. P. N. steamer Tees arrived from the North several days sooner than expected. She had in all thirteen passengers, only one of whom is recently out from Dawson. Among the others were Mrs. Peele, wife of Collector Peele, at Bennett; J. W. Moore, until last year purser on the steamer Islander, who has lately been looking after his father's interests at Skagway, and one or two from Atlin. The complete list is as follows: Mrs. Shartes, Capt. Smith, P. Harrison, A. Giffin, A. McDonald, W. A. Muller, J. T. Edwards, E. C. Muskett, J. U. Moore, C. Schaefers, H. P. Pearce, I. Russell and Mrs. Peele. The Tees left Skagway last Thursday, and on her return had a very rough time crossing the Gulf. She loaded 6,000 cases at the Northern British Columbia canneries en route, with which she proceeded to Steveston at 1 o'clock this morning.

Among the latest Northern news reported is the announcement at Juneau of a contract for the building of a dock 60x300 feet for the railway. The contract was let by the Granite Wharf Company to Alex. Ross & Co., and provides for 1,500 feet of rock work, all for $25,000, to be paid for in monthly instalments of $5,000. Another contract calls for 50,000 hemlock ties. According to late news from Dawson, the famous Discovery claim, one of the richest in the American Eldorado, on Porcupine creek, has changed hands. Six hundred bright and shining $20 gold pieces were paid over for a one-half interest, which gives the Porcupine Trading Company control of the claim.

### WATER FRONT BREVITIES.

Notes of Interest Respecting Local Shipping—Vessels to Arrive and Sail.

Steamer Walla Walla is due from San Francisco on December 9.

Steamer Idzumu Maru is due from China and Japan on the 20th instant.

Steamer Warrimoo sails for Honolulu and Australian ports on December 15.

Steamer Tucson sails for San Francisco on December 10.

Steamer Cottage City is due from Alaska on December 7.

The Victoria Sealing & Trading Company's three schooners are expected to sail this week, headed by the Otto. Other vessels about ready to sail in the upper harbor are the schooners of the E. B. Marvin fleet.

Steamer Thistle leaves to-day for the Northern halibut fishing grounds, having been re-engaged to carry fish to Vancouver for the New England Fish Company, which ships all its products to the Eastern markets.

Steamer Queen City sailed for West Coast points last evening. Among her passengers were Wm. Brewer, Mrs. Lyche, Mr. Donald, J. O. Bently and Mrs. McGregor.

The Umatilla sailed for San Francisco last evening, carrying the following cabin passengers from Victoria: A. L. and Mrs. Sherberg, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. J. Hyland, Mrs. Thompson, Miss H. Metropolsky, G. MacGowan, D. Smith, Hall party, Miss A. D. Richardson, Miss B. Brennan, Mrs. McKenzie and daughter, Jas. Armstrong and wife, Miss Irene Fox, Dick Mack, J. D. Virtue and A. Cooper.

The wrecked barkentine Jane A. Falkenburg together with 175,000 feet of dressed and rough lumber in her hold, is to be sold by public auction on Monday, under instructions from Mr. A. R. Milne, receiver of wrecks.

Steamer Danube sails for Skagway this evening.

The ship American is reported chartered to load coke at Comox for Santa Rosalia.

Dodwell & Co., Ltd., are contemplating making a big bid for the Cape Nome business in the early spring, putting on the Victoria to carry freight and passengers to the new gold field from Puget Sound.

### A TROUBLESOME FIRE.

Does Damage to the Extent of $500 and Illustrates Weakness of the Alarm System.

As vexatious a small fire as any that the department under Chief Deasy has been called upon to deal with in many months destroyed the seed-drying kiln of Mr. P. T. Johnston in the early hours of yesterday morning, and damaged an adjoining house occupied by Mr. Johnston's four sons, to the extent of perhaps $150. In one respect the blaze may perhaps be classed as not an unmixed evil, for it illustrated the unreliable condition of the alarm service and the necessity of its immediate repair.

The fire was reported by telephone to headquarters, and the station box, No. 27, was immediately pulled. Crossed wires or some other complication prevented a proper alarm, however, the big tower bell instead of repeating "27" four times, merely sounding the "2," and only one stroke being given by the gong at one of the other houses.

Of course the men of No. 2 station, on upper Yates street, were first on the scene of danger, and had hose laid when the apparatus from the city arrived after a smart turnout and a fast run. The burning building was a thousand feet from any hydrant, however, and this being too long a "lay" for the district supply of hose they could do nothing.

When water was brought to the fire it was found that the pressure was utterly insufficient until word was sent to the pumping station for more water. Then the suffocating smoke presented a new obstacle to the suppression of the blaze. The fire had not between ceiling and roof and defied the nozzle men. Ultimately a few boards were ripped from the ceiling, and the firemen were able to do effective work.

The fire had originated in a small frame building between St. Charles street and Pemberton road, used by Mr. Johnston as a seed-drying house, and occupied by several Chinamen. As these gentry had taken care to remove their personal effects before sounding any alarm, the fire secured considerable headway before any whites were aware of its existence. Mr. Johnston's four sons responded to the alarm from the adjoining building which they occupy, just in time to see it also take fire. The frame structure in which the blaze originated, valued perhaps at $200, was consumed, together with $150 worth of seeds and fertilizers; the second building was damaged to the extent of perhaps 150—fully covered by an insurance policy of $500. Although the sparks blew badly, the blaze was prevented from spreading to any of the adjoining residences.

The failure of the alarm system to work properly cannot be said to have taken the authorities by surprise entirely. False alarms through crossed wires had been of frequent occurrence since the commencement of the recent high winds; and the city electrician, who has charge of the system, had intended going over it thoroughly, and testing all boxes. This is a measure of protection that in many cities is of frequent occurrence. It is suggested for the fire wardens' consideration whether one man in the department should not be given charge of the alarm system, and locate and deal with crossed wires the moment a cross is known to occur.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Late Arrival From Dawson Has a Rough Experience—Guests of the Hotels.

Frank Salet, of Juneau, is at the Dominion.

Captains W. and R. Cox returned from Vancouver yesterday evening.

Miss Nicholles returned last evening from a visit to friends on the Mainland.

Jas. Thomson, a tourist from Glasgow, Scotland, is registered at the Dominion.

Chas. Landau, of Montreal, representing the Houde Cigarette Company, is at the Driard.

Among the guests at the Victoria are Andrew R. Tuffs, of Vancouver, and Henry Smith, of Duncans.

Will the firm having proof of 1900 artistic calendar, with name of J. Piercey & Co., dry goods, please return same to the Colonist.

A. L. and Mrs. Gartshore, Vancouver, and Miss Gartshore, Hamilton, are among the guests registered at the Driard last evening.

C. A. Holland, B. W. Greer and R. S. Day were among the Victorian business men returning from the Mainland by last night's Charmer.

Mrs. John Hyland was a passenger by last evening's direct steamer for California, where she will spend the Christmas season with relatives and friends.

City Editor Harry Hawson, of the Times, in addition to the gentlemen named yesterday, is accompanying the business men's excursion to Kootenay.

Thomas MacManus left yesterday on a flying trip to Boston, and returning in the spring will leave at once for Dawson to look after his numerous Klondike interests.

J. Bernhoff, one of the successful Cape Nome miners, is registered at the Dominion. Mr. Bernhoff since his arrival on the Alpha has been laid up at the Jubilee hospital with typhoid fever.

C. J. Dumbleton and wife, who had been reported drowned in the North, are, according to the very latest information, alive. They were precipitated into the river by the capsizing of their scow, but are still alive and well.

Among the passengers by the Tees staying at the Dominion are John Russell, from Dawson; E. C. Muskett and Mrs. Short and family, from Skagway, and John T. Edwards and H. J. Baker, from Atlin. Mr. Russell reports having had an extremely dangerous trip out from Dawson. Breaking through the ice on the river he narrowly escaped drowning, and with frozen hands had to make his way among the cliffs till he reached the trail. It, too, was in extremely bad shape, and almost impassable. Mrs. Short is making a brief visit to Victoria and will return to Dawson as soon as the trails are in good shape. Mr. Baker has made some very promising quartz locations at Baker Lake, about 28 miles from Atlin city. Mr. Edwards is a well known hotel man from Kamloops, who has spent the summer in Atlin, with very encouraging results.

# Black Patti's Troubadors.

## Entertain the Biggest House of the Season at the Local Theatre.

## George Broadhurst's Latest Comedy Hit to Be Seen To-morrow Evening.

The Black Patti and her troubadours entertained a crowded house at the Victoria last evening, every seat having been sold in advance, and even standing room tickets being refused to applicants before the curtain went up. The programme of the troubadours—while scarcely equal in general musical excellence to that of last year—was a happy mixture of song and dance and frolic, entered into with genuine and infectious enthusiasm. The voices were fresh and the rag time innovations irresistible—the distinctive characteristic of the entire performance was found in the fact that the people behind the footlights succeeded in enjoying themselves while entertaining their audience, and in consequence could not let the show drag. Black Patti's melodious voice was fully as good and true as in past seasons, showing no sign of deterioration. Her first number was a difficult serenade, given with great taste and musicianly accuracy; as an encore acknowledgment she gave "My Old Kentucky Home," singing with much sweetness, and unconsciously giving a plaintive minor strain to the song that emphasized the character of all the typical music of her race—the echo of a sob in every peal of laughter. As a second encore—for the audience was insistent—the cantatrice favored with the very charming ballard "Every Rose Must Have Its Thorn"; while later on in the programme she was heard in the drinking song from "Cavalleria Rusticana," the lullaby from "Erminie," and the grand finale scene from "Tannhauser"—each with a truly magnificent chorus. Mr. Arthur D. Byrd was heard in a splendid solo for bass, and Mr. James Lightfoot displayed an excellent baritone voice, first in the melodious modern ballad "The Girl I Left In Sunny Tennessee" (with vocal quartette accompaniment), and then in the "Gipsy Song" from "The Fortune Teller." The quartette also proved a decidedly good one; while the "coon songs," dances and cake walking were considerably above par. Among the specialty artists, James Wilson performed some really surprising feats of equilibrium, and Al F. and Cecil Watts contributed an entertaining musical comedy sketch.

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At the Victoria theatre to-morrow evening "Why Smith Left Home," Geo. H. Broadhurst's latest and best farce, will be seen. There is abundant chance for humor and fun-charged complications in the various circumstances that induce "Smith's" departure from his domicile, and a hearty enjoyment and concurrence by his audience that he does. The influence or relatives upon recently married couples offers a wide field of interesting study in this lively farce, and furnishes a number of very merry lessons on the subject of how those connected by ties of kinship with the lately wedded pair manage to disturb their connubial bliss.

Lottie Smith-Salder—"Why Smith Left Home"

Of course a play that is good in itself is all the better for being looked after by a company whose capabilities enable them to utilize its chances, and such is the case in this instance, as a glance at the following well known names will prove: Frank Tannehill, jr., Eugene Redding, C. Jay Williams, Frederick Roberts, Gilbert Gardner, Carina Jordan, Nellie Maskell, Jennie Engle, Lottie Williams Salter, Rose Hubbard, Belle Chamberlin and Lizzie May Ulmer.

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At the Savoy this week the management present a very neat and crisp performance, that is both clean and meritorious. The Savoy "gaiety girls" are back again with an even better part than on their last visit; the Egerton sisters offer a thrilling and in many ways distinctly original aerial act; Miss Alice Raymond, the cornet soloist who won so enthusiastic a reception at the Victoria a few years ago, is winning yet other friends among the musical; and the Waterman sisters are making a distinct and deserved hit with "Soldiers of the Queen." And this isn't half of the show by any means.

Farmers' Meeting.—There was a very good attendance at the farmers' institute meeting at Metchosin Monday evening. A very instructive and interesting address on horticulture, with all its branches, was delivered by Prof. H. B. Miller, president of the Oregon state board of horticulture. The attendance at the meetings already held and the interest manifested has been very encouraging, though the bad weather has to some slight extent interfered with the success of the meetings. Last evening a meeting was held at the Royal Oak school house. The programme for subsequent meetings is as follows: Richmond, December 6; Agassiz, December 7; Chilliwack, December 9; Salmon Arm, December 13; Armstrong, December 15; Kelowna, December 16.


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### FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

A Very Interesting Meeting Held at the Royal Oak Last Evening.

A well attended meeting of the Victoria district farmers' institute was held at Royal Oak schoolhouse last evening. The chairman, Mr. Geo. Deans, and Mr. J. R. Anderson, made a few remarks, after which Prof. D. A. Brodie, superintendent of Puyallup experimental farm, was called on.

Prof. Brodie gave an excellent address on forage plants, giving his experience in Western Washington, where the climatic conditions are very much the same as here. In Washington the principal forage plants are rape, hairy vetch, clover and bromus grass. The last mentioned, however, he could no[illegible], as it did not give satisfaction [illegible] climates.

Prof. Brodie answered the many questions that were put to him, after which Prof. H. B. Miller, president of the horticulture board of Oregon, took the floor, and gave an address on fruit growing. Prof. Miller did not consider prune growing would be profitable here, because prunes can be produced much cheaper in Washington, but he took a very hopeful view of the apple growing industry. He spoke of the growing demand for fruit through the development of the mining and lumber industries and told how apples can be produced cheaper here, because the coddling moth did not thrive here, while it destroyed many of the orchards in the neighboring state.

Prof. Miller closed his address with some stirring remarks on institute work.

Mr. Miller Freeman, editor of the "Ranch and Range," also made a few remarks.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the visitors.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Adjourned Until January.—The case of Tagg v. the Victoria-Yukon Trading and Transportation Company—adispute over wages—was given a hearing before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday and adjourned until January.

Lake School Question.—A correspondent from the district concerned writes that in consequence of an interview between a local deputation and the provincial authorities, a further inquiry into the facts of the Lake school trouble will be made by the minister of education.

General Rehearsal.—There will be a full rehearsal of the soloists, chorus and orchestra who are to engage in the production of the "May Queen" at Institute hall to-morrow evening. Memmbers of the orchestra are requested to be on hand at 7:45 p.m. and the chorus not later than 8:15 p.m.

Death of Mr. Peter.—The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Henry Thomas Peter, at the advanced age of 75 years. The deceased had been farming in Lake district until failing health compelled him to retire and live with his son-in-law, Mr. Hamilton, at whose home his death took place. He leaves two sons and some daughters to mourn his loss. He will be buried by the side of his wife in the pretty little cemetery, attached to St. Luke's church, Cedar Hill, on Thursday afternoon.

Harbor Survey Commenced.—The preliminary survey of Victoria harbor considered necessary by the civic committee investigating the Sorby scheme, commenced yesterday under the superintendence of Mr. C. C. Worsfold, of the Dominion public works department, New Westminster. The present work of sounding and surveying is for the purpose of fixing the exact depth of the harbor at various points and the amount of recently deposited silt.

Property Is Active.—Numerous transfers of real estate in various parts of the city have been completed within the past few days, the realty agents reporting a decided improvement in their line of business. Among other properties changing hands recently is a fine building site on Esquimalt road, not far from the Canteen, which has been purchased by Mr. J. Gerhardt Tiarks, the intention being, it is understood, to erect several handsome residential structures. A number of other admirable building lots in the western suburb have also been disposed of within the week, in each case at a satisfactory price.

Hand-Painted Chinaware.—No finer work in painting on China has been seen on the Coast than that which Mrs. J. B. Young, of Vancouver, is now exhibiting in the Hotel Driard. So cleverly is the painting burned into the chinaware that the articles can be used a life-time and yet not lose a particle of the delicate shading. Though at present only remaining a few days in Victoria, Mrs. Young said yesterday she would return here in event of a class being organized for instruction by her. Mrs. Young completed her education in Paris, after receiving her early training in London, Ont.

No Special Significance.—H. M. S. Warspite, Rear Admiral Beaumont's flagship on the North Pacific squadron, accompanied by the cruisers Phaeton, Icarus and Pheasant, left for southern waters yesterday. No special significance attaches to the departure of the fleet at this time, it being stated that the main object of the voyage is to permit of fleet manoeuvers being engaged in. The Leander and the Egeria are the only warships remaining at Esquimalt. The former is in the dry dock and the latter at the naval wharf. The flagship and her consorts are expected to be absent from Esquimalt for a period of five months.

Friendly Help Work.—The Friendly Help Society received the following reports yesterday morning at their regular monthly meeting: Thirty-two persons received assistance during the month, fifteen of whom had groceries, six fuel, four milk and the remainder clothing. The donations, which are thankfully acknowledged by the society, were as follows: Cash, Mr. Chas. Kent, Mrs. Chas. Kent and the city; clothing, Mr. Frank Bennet, Mr. Forrest Angus, Mrs. H. J. Scott, Mrs. Hy. Saunders, Mrs. John Irving, Mrs. Archer Martin, Mrs. D. W. Higgins, Mrs. Stadthagen, Mr. E. A. Carleton; Mrs. Stevenson, child's cot; Mrs. Gill, hats; Mr. Campbell (Craigsend farm), cabbages; Mr. F. Solly, boots; Mr. H. G. Ross, furniture and clothing. The arranging of Christmas work was discussed yesterday and a committee appointed. Members and friends are reminded of the usual custom of each donating some new articles of clothing for those in poorer circumstances than themselves at the Christmas tide.

Yorkshiremen Organize.—A meeting of Yorkshiremen in this city was held last evening at Christ Church rectory, when it was decided to organize a county society. The association is to be known as the Yorkshire Society of British Columbia, and its objects are the promotion of unity and good fellowship among the Yorkshiremen resident in this province. The society is to be strictly non-sectarian and non-political. All British Columbia residents born in Yorkshire or of Yorkshire parentage will be eligible for membership. The society is to be inaugurated with a banquet on or about January 25, at which only members of and society and invited guests will be in attendance. Rev. Canon Beanlands was appointed chairman and Mr. Herbert Cuthbert secretary. There were also present Lt.-Col. Prior, M.P., B. J. Oddy, W. T. Hardaker, J. E. Martin, W. P. Winsby and others, while several gentlemen sent their regrets, being unable to attend. Slips containing applications for membership, setting forth the birthplace and names of parents, will be issued so that as accurate a record of all Yorkshiremen will be kept by the society. It is hoped that all Yorkshiremen in the city willl apply to any of the above named gentlemen as speedily as possible so that arrangements for the banquet may be perfected as early as possible.

The Amateur Drama.—At St. James hall, James Bay, to-morrow evening, a first-class musical and dramatic entertainment will be presented, the principal item of the evening's programme being the comedy "Jack Trust."


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# PROVINCIAL NEWS

## ROSSLAND.

A movement is on foot to urge Mr. John Kirkup to accept the candidature for mayoralty of this city, and we understand that already a requisition has been signed by a large number of leading citizens, asking him to stand for the position, and promising him their support.—Miner.

Interviewed by a Miner reporter on his return from an inspection of the Boundary country, Mr. W. A. Campbell, the well known mining man, said: "Yes, I have concluded to stay with the Boundary country and make Greenwood my headquarters for my future operations. That has been a district of surprises as regards its mineral deposits, but when the ore begins to be shipped and the tonnage is made up, the most sanguine anticipations of the believers in the outcome of the Boundary district will be exceeded. This will, however, take time, and we cannot expect the output to reach large proportions till after next year. We must wait till proper development takes place. We sometimes expect too much and that too quickly in the mining business. The mines of the Boundary are being developed in a proper manner by men who stand at the head of their profession, and production is not going to be rushed to the detriment of the properties for the purpose of boosting the stocks of the mines."

## ASHCROFT.

As we go to press a report is received from the 111-Mile House of an accident caused by a team running away and resulting in the death of a man named Noel, a native of Manitoba. No particulars could be had.

The building of the railroad through Nicola will open up extensive coal fields as well as copper mines. Every body living in this section and north should see that the Stuart Lake road petition is well signed in their vicinity and returned the secretary at Ashcroft. There will be extensive work done in Omineca next season.

R. Trodden spent a day at his home in town this week and has returned to Nicola, where he is engaged in building a bridge across the river somewhere across the Kootenay's place. Mr. Trodden had some splendid samples of galena with him, taken from near where the proposed railway extension will be built. It is a splendid mineral country and prospectors will do well to look into the merits of this promising prospecting ground.—Ashcroft Journal.

## COLUMBIA.

Columbia, Nov. 28.—Inspector Donald Stewart of the United States customs has been stationed in Columbia since last Saturday. During an interview this morning he said: "I am here to stay, I hope, as I like the place and believe the volume of business passing through will be very great. The amount of freight already arriving daily is enormous. Here, for instance, are the manifests for one lot of machinery for the Mountain Lion, numbering 266 pieces and having a gross weight of 38,000 pounds, being a consignment from Fraser & Chalmers, of Chicago. Then there is also a heavy consignment of canned goods from California, and several cars of pork from Omaha. Just as soon as it is known throughout the States that a United States customs officer is here, all freight for Bolster, Republic, Nelson and Camp Sheridan—in fact all the camps and towns in Northern Washington—will enter through this port. It is a pity that a rival city sent out a statement that the United States government at Washington had decided not to grant permission to break bulk at Columbia, as it has done much harm."

Columbia, Nov. 30. — "Volcanic" Brown is carrying around some remarkable samples of peacock copper, which he took from the Sunset on Copper Mountain, Similkameen. If he has much more of the same quality the property is something quit remarkable. But even his samples are not without rivals from Keremeos, as the Bullion, on Olalla creek, in Upper Keremeos, is supplying hand specimens of pyritic rock carrying from 26.5 to 27 per cent copper, according to assays made by Mr. J. A. Miller, of the Le Roy smelter, Northport. Development is being pushed with much activity upon this property, and the results are most encouraging.

Mr. Smith Curtis, of Rossland, was in the city yesterday. His interests in Summit Camp and various North Fork properties cause him to be a frequent passenger over the Columbia & Western.

Comparatively little freight is as yet moving toward Republic, as the teamsters expect snow any day and that they will haul full loads with much greater ease than they could half loads at present. By all accounts, however, our roads, owing to the gravel benches upon which they run, are almost perfection compared with the terrible trail from Kettle Falls, Washington, to Republic camp. After herculean efforts three freighters have managed to get through, but they are not likely to have many followers, as the "soft" places are "a caution," and the hotels a long way below British Columbia standard. Republic is in partial darkness, owing to the coal oil famine. The customs mill, which is being built there, will hardly be ready before next summer.

Six carloads of machinery for the Mountain Lion are now at Columbia. By bringing them in this way instead of via Kettle Falls, the management claims to have saved ten days in time and $3,000 in freight. The road in this way is 45 miles shorter than its American competitor. The Mountain Lion mill is in a very forward state. All concrete foundations are finished, and a large force of men is at work upon the four cyanide tanks, 24 feet diameter and 5 feet deep. The battery frames are in place and the shafe house complete. The 400-foot tram is delayed by a lack of teams to haul timber.

Late visitors to Columbia are Messrs. Olive Pringle of Greenwood, and J. P. McLeod, late of Midway, but now of Greenwood.

One of the most ssuccessful shots is Mr. Alfred Cooper, whose ranch is one of the show places near Columbia. During October and the first fortnight of November he brought down many a fine mallard, and even yet gets an occasional one, though the main flight seems to be over for this season. He secured a full grown gre yowl this morning, whose measurement from tip to tip was more than four feet. Deer are being brought in every day now, but old timers say they are getting very scarce, and at the present rate of decrease will be extinct in the valley within two years.

## KAMLOOPS.

C. S. Stevens, meteorological observer, reports on the weather during the past month of November as follows: Mean maximum temperature, 51.1; mean minimum temperature, 41.1, with a mean daily range of 10 degrees. Rainfall for month, .79 inches.

Local Scotsmen celebrated the anniversary of their patron saint with characteristic zest. The tastefully decorated dining room of the Cosmopolitan hotel was well filled with Scots, the sons of Scots, and men of "lesser breed," for the annual banquet in honor of St. Andrew. C. W. Sarel presided, and A. D. MacIntyre occupied the vice-chair. Needless to say the bill-of-fare was all that the most patriotic Scotsman could desire. The haggis, made by Mrs. P. Barnhart, was asknowledged by the epicures to be simply delicious. Among other dainties on the table were red currants and fresh tomatoes picked earlier in the day in Mr. Fortune's garden. After the toast "Our Soldiers in South Africa," had been honored, and the boys at the front had been cheered to the echo, Martin Beattie, with the consent of the chairman, made an eloquent appeal on behalf of the wives and children of the men whose brilliant fighting for the Empire had just been so heartily applauded. He proposed that a subscription list be then and there started in aid of the Mansion House fund, and suggested that Dune McLean act as secretary-treasurer for the occasion. This proposal met with cordial approval and D. McLean shortly afterwards announced that he had received in cash and promises the sum of $91.25.

## NICOLA.

Nicola, Nov. 27.—The Columbia & Western railway survey company have reached Quilchena, having located thirteen miles in ten days, along Quilchena creek. They intend moving their camp to what is known as the Gilmore ranch, about two miles from here, in a few days. The road to Quilchena is about 600 feet above and half a mile back from the lake shore. This elevation will be maintained more or less until approaching this place, when several curves will have to be made in order to reach the flat south of the town. The gang of workmen is under the supervision of Mr. O. England, an efficient surveyor and engineer in the employ of the C.P.R., and who informed your correspondent that the permanent location of the road would be practically along or near the route of the present survey, and that construction would be commenced as soon as there was anything to warrant some returns for the outlay. This assurance on the part of the company should stimulate and encourage everyone in possession of a mine or a ranch to push development and improvement to the fullest extent of which he is capable and thus secure all the advantages to be derived from a railway in their midst, which means rapid and cheaper transit, more production, more settlers, more demand, better prices and less delays.

There is quite a land boom already in the vicinity of the coal fields, and settlers, I am told, are afraid to fix a price upon their lands for fear of being taken up, and thereby lose, perhaps a million or so by their hasty conclusion.—Correspondence Kamloops Sentinel.

## REVELSTOKE.

The Revelstoke Water, Light and Power Company is now engaged in installing six fire hydrants. This necessitates the laying of 500 feet of 4-inch pipe.

Revelstoke Scotchmen can not let St. Andrew's night pass without some kind of a celebration, and Thursday night's was the most successful of any ever had in the city, though the affair was largely impromptu.—Mail.

## NELSON.

Workmen are putting stringers on the tramway wire along Baker street. It is hoped the cars will be running about the 12th December.

Rabbit hunting is now affording great sport in the immediate vicinity of Nelson. The timid little creatures are being driven from the higher ranges of the mountains by the snow. Those bagged by local sports are in anything but good condition.

In the country court in the jury case of Genelle v. Fox, the finding was for the defendant. The action was to recover a sum of $554 for material supplied to defendant, a building contractor. There was a set-off account of $354. The accounts are to be looked into by the court registrar.

The case of Brandon v. Radcliffe occupied the attention of Judge Forin at the county court. It was a claim for $150, the price of a lot at Brandon, near Slocan City, which plaintiff held he sold to the defendant. There was no documentary evidence to prove that the lot in question had been deeded, and the case was non-suited.

Copies of the by-law imposing a tax of $100 per annum on insurance companies doing business in Nelson have been forwarded by the city clerk to the various local agents. Up to date but one company—the Hartford—has complied with the by-law. The original ordinance made the license $200 a year, but the amount collectable has been reduced to $100. All companies represented in the city are liable.

There is a general feeling in the city that Nelson should be made a separate school district, and also that there should be a high school established here. In order to be in a position to ask the government for a grant for high school purposes, it is necessary that there should be at least twenty pupils qualified for the grade. If parents who have children advanced enough for high school would send in their names to Dr. Arthur, secretary of the board of school trustees, they would greatly facilitate the advancement of a good cause.

The case of Thurston v. Tattersall, et al, occupied the attention of Judge Forin at the county court yesterday (Wednesday). This is an action brought by plaintiff, who resides at Slocan City, against Messrs. Tattersall, Gwillim, Dick and Robertson, owners of the Chapleau mineral claim, for commission on the sale of the property to J. M. Williams. Mr. R. M. Macdonald and Mr. F. Elliot appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. W. A. Macdonald, Q.C., for defendants. The plaintiff's case is that through his instrumentality the property was disposed of for $30,000 on which he was to get a commission of 10 per cent. One installment of $1,500 had been paid, and of this he sues for commission at rate named.—Miner.

Although Nelson has a population considerably under 10,000, it has a jewelry store that is only excelled by four others in Canada. Jacob Dover's jewelry store is classed as the fifth largest in the whole of the Dominion.

The case of Thurston vs. Tatersall et al has been occupying the attention of Judge Forin since eleven o'clock Thursday morning and will likely continue through today's session of the court. Thurston claims to have secured the sale of the Chapleau mine, near Slocan City, for Benjamin Robertson, J. E. Tatersall, J. E. Gwillim, and F. Dick for $30,000. The property was sold to J. M. Williams, who has made a payment of $1,500. Thurston as broker claims $3,000 as commission on the sale. The present action is to secure the payment of $150 as commission on the $1,500 payment. A payment of $8,000 is to be made on the property on December 1st.

A meeting of the public works committee was held yesterday afternoon, when it was announced by Alderman Hillyer that P. Burns & Co. had withdrawn their request for permission to make a contract with the West Kootenay Power & Light Company for a supply of power. This disposed of the question with respect to the entrance into the city of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company. An informal discussion tok place as to what the tramway company should do to put its rails in a shape to satisfy the city engineer, but the consideration of the matter was deferred until the regular meeting of the council Monday.

Present indications are that the by-law to raise $5,000 for the repair of the city wharf will not be submitted to the ratepayers on Tuesday, December 5th, with the other by-laws. The trouble appears to be that the city council bungled the matter and introduced the by-law at a special meeting of the council instead of at a regular meeting, as it is held it should have been introduced. It is held that the business transacted at the special meeting has no force or effect and that, therefore, the voting upon the other by-laws will proceed as if the special meeting had never been held, the by-law for the repair of the wharf being dropped.—Tribune.

## VERNON.

A teacher is wanted for the public school at Goldstream, rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. Fife, who is now principal of the Greenwood school.

The dates for Farmers' Institue meetings in this district have been fixed as follows: Armstrong, Dec. 15; Kelowna, Dec. 18; and Salmon Arm, Dec. 13th.

D. Rabbit has received the appointment as Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal in connection with provincial taxation, rendered vacant by the departure for England of Mr. F. McGowen.

A quiet wedding took place at the Columbia House, Fairview, on Wednesday morning, November 22, the contracting parties being Mr. John Matheson, a popular rancher of Okanagan Falls, and Miss Eva McAllster, of Fairview. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. E. Moody.

I. Mawhinney has recently added by purchase to his land possessions near Kelowna, having secured the farms of Messrs. F. J. Watson, Carruthers and Ellis.

Seceral carloads of cattle and hogs were shipped on Tuesday by Messrs. Tronson, O'Keefe, Whelan and others. Good prices are prevailing this fall, with the prospect of further advances before spring.

About ten more names are still required to complete the roll of the proposed mounted rifle corps. The list is at this office and will be kept open for signatures a few days yet.

Several local sportsmen returned last week from hunting trips. Most of them were successful in getting a few deer, though game of this kind is not yet very plentiful on the lower levels, owing to the small snowfall this year on the mountains.

Buttercups and other wild flowers are blooming in profusion on the hills, and though it may be hard for eastern readers to believe, it is nevertheless an absolute fact that for some days the youngsters at Peachland have been gathering ripe wild strawberries. How is this for a climate?

Here it is the 1st of December, and as yet the weather is as open and warm as in April. No frosts of any account have occurred, and were it not for somewhat too frequent rains, the weather would be all that the most exacting could desire. The hills are as green as in June, and there will be comparatively little feed required for cattle this winter.

We have seen this week a splendid sample of Dawson's Golden Chaff wheat, grown by Maurice Cochrane, of Larkin, and forwardede to the Agricultural Department at Victoria, by whom it will be sent on to the Paris Exposition. The grain was remarkably plump and clear, and will reflect credit upon the grower and the district.

The hydrants and other waterworks supplies have at last all arrived, and with the exception oif the much needed float gate for the reservoir, everything is now to hand. The contractor is now at work on the two inch pipes, and it should only be a matter of a short time now until the system is completed and ready for use.

Mining operations near Monashee and around the head waters of the Kettle River, are being prosecuted with a good deal of vigor, and a large number of promising claims have recently been located by prospectors from Kootenay. The quartz runs high in gold values, and in the Eureka claim, of which A. Stansfield is one of the owners, big assays in tellurium have repeatedly been obtained. Mr. Stansfield left a sample at the News office this week, in which the tellurium is plainly discernable and a good deal of free gold is also to be seen. The ledge is an extremely large one, running over 50 feet in width, and nine claims each way have been staked on it from the Eureka, which is the discovery claim. A big rush is expected into that section next spring, and Mr. Stansfield is perfectly correct when he says that if Vernon is to profit by it, the road to Monashee must be subjected to considerable repairs.—Vernon News.


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## In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

Between:

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND AND INVESTMENT AGENCY, LIMITED.

Plaintiffs.

And

JOSEPH HUNTER and HELEN McLEAN, Executor and Executrix of the will of ALEXANDER McLEAN, deceased, and WILLIAM ALLEN McLEAN,

Defendants.

Upon the application of the plaintiffs and upon hearing the solicitor for the applicants, and upon reading the affidavit of Sydney Child, sworn the 14th day of November, A.D. 1899:

It is ordered that service upon the defendant William Allen McLean of the writ or summons herein by publishing this order, together with the notice herein for ten days in he Victoria Daily Colonist, published at Victoria, B. C., and also by serving a copy of the writ of summons herein on Helen McLean be deemed good and sufficient service on the said William Allen McLean:

And it is further ordered that the said defendant do enter an appearance within ten days after the last publication in the said Daily Colonist.

M. W. TYRWHITT DRAKE, J.

This action is brought for foreclosure of a certain mortgage made by Alexander McLean in favor of Sir James Douglas and which has been duly assigned to the plaintiff and dated the 1st day of April, A.D. 1875.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Plaintiff's Solicitor.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at its next sitting, to be held on Wednesday, the 13th day of December next, for a transfer to William Charles Ferneyhough of the License now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Taree Star Saloon, situate at No. 4 Fort Street, in the City of Victoria.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 1899.

WM. SCOTT.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for an act to incorporate a company to construct, operate and maintain a line of railway from Victoria, British Columbia, or some other suitable point at or near the southern end of Vancouver Island to Hardy Bay or some other suitable point at or near the northern end of the said Island, with power to construct branch lines to any points that may be selected on the coasts of the said Island, and as part of the said undertaking to acquire, lease or make traffic arrangements with existing railways on the said Island; and to operate and maintain lines of steamships and car ferries between the said line of railway or any of the branches thereof and any point or points in British Columbia, the State of Washington, United States of America, and the Territory of Alaska, United States of America, to construct and maintain wharves and docks, telegraph and telephone lines, with all powers usually granted to railway companies and such other rights and privileges as may be necessary to carry out the object of the company.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., October 12, 1899.

FRANK HIGGINS,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made by the undersigned at the next sitting of the Licensing Board for ratification of the temporary transfer to the undersigned dated the 26th day of October, 1899, and also the temporary transfer from the undersigned to Harry E. Morton, dated the 31st day of October, 1899, of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the "Garricks Head" saloon, situate on the south side of Bastion street in the city of Victoria. And further for a transfer of the said license to the said Harry E. Morton.

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Dated this 2nd December, 1899.

J. P. WALLS,
14 Bastion Square, Victoria.
Solicitors for the executors, Thomas Flewin, Chas. F. Flewin and Jarves Longhurst.

IN THE MATTER OF

## THE ESTATE OF ADOLPH WASHBURG,

DECEASED.

And in the Matter of the Official Administrators' Act.

Notice is hereby given that I have been appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of the above-named deceased, and parties having claims against the said estate are hereby requested to forward particulars thereof to me on or before the 11th day of January, 1900; and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated the 11th day of November, 1899.

WM. MONTEITH,
Official Administrator.

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## THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Dec. 5.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

An area of high pressure has moved up from the Californian coast since yesterday and caused somewhat fairer weather, though attended with showers in the districts bordering on the Straits and Sound. The present unsettled condition is the normal type of winter weather on this coast. A low area is now traversing the Canadian Northwest, where the weather has been moderately cold and fair.

TEMPERATURES.

| | Min. | Max. |
|---|---|---|
| Victoria | 43 | 47 |
| New Westminster | 40 | 46 |
| Kamloops | 32 | 36 |
| Barkerville | 24 | 30 |
| Calgary | 20 | 42 |
| Winnipeg | 6 | 18 |
| Portland, Ore. | 40 | 48 |
| San Francisco | 48 | 62 |

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) Wednesday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Southerly and southeasterly winds; partly fair, with occasional rain.

Lower Mainland—Southeasterly winds; partly fair, with occasional rain.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon, and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, Dec. 5.

| | Deg. | | Deg. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5 a.m. | 45 | Mean | 44 |
| Noon | 44 | Highest | 46 |
| 5 p.m. | 42 | Lowest | 42 |

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 11 miles west.
Noon ..... 8 miles southwest.
5 p.m. ..... 4 miles west.

Average state of weather—Partly cloudy, with rain.

Rain—.50 inches.

Sunshine—48 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed ..... 30.088
Corrected ..... 30.074

## PASSENGERS.

By steamer Charmer from Vancouver:

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| Mrs. Ferguson. | E. W. Hockley. |
| A. Kirkland. | J. Thomson. |
| Sister Norbert. | B. Thomas. |
| C. A. Holland. | Mrs. Kirkland. |
| B. W. Greer. | M. C. Williams. |
| Mrs. Thomson. | L. S. Robinson. |
| G. Strackan. | Mrs. A. L. Gartshore. |
| Miss Harden. | A. L. Gartshore. |
| Miss Nicholles. | W. Adams. |
| Mrs. F. J. Hall. | Geo. Rodier. |
| Miss Lewis. | W. J. Taffe. |
| R. S. Day. | J. Higgins. |
| Miss Breeze. | G. German. |
| M. J. Creahn. | H. Falkner. |
| G. F. Fravis. | Mrs. R. L. Moore. |
| G. Gomron. | Miss Inch. |
| J. H. Garden. | J. Cohn. |
| Miss Cartmell. | P. R. Lindsay. |
| Capt. W. Cox. | —. Ralph. |
| Capt. R. Cox. | W. Brydson. |
| Chas. Landau. | J. Davenport. |
| Miss Gartshore. | Thos. Sykes. |
| —. Wade. | Jas. Gillmour. |

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By steamer Charmer from Vancouver:

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| Weller Bros. | S. Leiser & Co. |
| E. G. Prior & Co. | H. B. Co. |
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| Wilson Bros. | Dean & Hiscocks. |
| Taylor Mill Co. | Geo. Carter. |
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| J. W. Mellor. | M. & H. A. Fox. |
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## CHEAPER CABLING.

New York, Dec. 4.—The Commercial Cable Co. announces a reduction of five cents per word on messages via Bermuda to the West Indie islands, except Jamaica and Porto Rico.

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# Ald. Hayward For Mayor.

### James Bay Representative Announces His Candidature for the Higher Office.

### Mayor Redfern Not Seeking Re-Election—The Aldermen Again in the Field.

Alderman Charles Hayward will be a candidate for the office of mayor at the approaching elections, while Mayor Redfern has expressed himself as averse to seeking re-election. The majority of the aldermen now holding office will again come before the people.

Such, in brief, is the situation as far as could be ascertained by a Colonist representative, who yesterday interviewed the mayor and aldermen.

Alderman Hayward was first visited. The reporter mentioned that it had been a matter of common gossip for months past that he would offer himself as a candidate for the mayoralty at the next elections, and asked if such was his intention.

"Yes," said Ald. Hayward, "at the persistent solicitation of influential ratepayers, I intend doing so. I have not arrived at this decision hastily. I believe that Victoria has reached a critical period in her history—a period which demands the inauguration of a moderately progressive policy, and possessing very large interests in the city, and having for a number of years past been more or less prominently identified with local public bodies, I believe I may be able, if entrusted with the confidence of the people, to aid in the advancement of the city's welfare. I have, therefore, as I said before, after due deliberation, and upon receiving assurance of support from a great number of influential citizens, determined to offer myself as a candidate for the position of mayor in 1900."

Catching Mayor Redfern at a moment of leisure in his Government street business establishment, the question "Will you again be a candidate for the mayoralty?" was asked to His Worship. Mayor Redfern said he had not as yet given the matter much consideration. He had held the position for the past three years and felt inclined to retire in favor of some one else. Personally he was averse to again offering himself as a candidate. Certainly there were many civic projects in the success of which he was keenly interested—certain of which he had seen pushed forward quite satisfactorily during his tenure of office—and he would reluctantly abandon the task of aiding in their consummation, but he had occupied the mayoralty for three years in succession and would willing make way for some one else. Yes; the Colonist might announce that he would not at the next contest be again in the field.

In the event of Mayor Redfern maintaining his present attitude, there is little doubt about the election of Ald. Hayward, if one may judge from how "the man in the street" views the situation. But of course it is by no means certain that Mayor Redfern may not be induced to reconsider his decision.

Ald. Hayward's candidature is looked upon with marked favor. He has long been prominent in civic matters, and the fact that he has large interests in the city and is known to be possessed of progressive ideas will do much to popularise his candidature.

Those who were spoken to in regard to Mayor Redfern's proposed retirement all agreed that the city would thus lose the services of a faithful and competent chief magistrate, while admitting the wisdom of the Mayor's contention that three years' consecutive tenure of office is sufficient justification for a desire to be relieved of the responsibility.

Nearly all of the aldermen will seek re-election. Ald. MacGregor was the first one met by the Colonist representative, and without hesitation he stated that he would run. He had no particular reasons to offer as to why he had arrived at that determination.

A duo of "city fathers" was next accosted on Government street—Aldermen Humphrey and Kinsman. They were both of the same mind as Ald. McGregor—they would again run.

Ald. Brydon has not yet given the matter "due consideration."

Ald. Cameron has not yet made up his mind.

Ald. Stewart will again be a candidate in Centre ward.

Ald. Beckwith is out of town.

Ald. Williams has finally made up his mind not to be a candidate for the office of mayor, but will offer himself for re-election as alderman.

Ex-Ald. John Hall, who keeps pretty well posted on the ways things are going on "over James Bay way," and who is looked upon as a possible candidate at the approaching elections for that ward, has not yet made up his mind on the subject.

An interesting feature of the approaching local municipal contest is the expressed determination of the electors of Victoria West to take an active part in the election of the representatives for all wards. The grievances which the residents of Victoria West have against existing conditions are manifold, and it is more than likely that that populous district will have in the field candidates of its own selection, impressed with the needs and requirements of that section. In that event the contest in North ward is likely to be more than usually interesting.


A Physician is not always at hand. Guard yourself against sudden coughs and colds by keeping a bottle of Pain-Killer in the house. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c. and 50c.


## PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

First Concert of the Season in Aid of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home to be Given in the Institute Hall.

The concert which will be given by the above society on Thursday, December 14, promises to be one of the most interesting yet given by this young organization, evidencing steady progress from the time when Farmer's Mass was produced in Victoria by a chorus and orchestra gathered together, perhaps, for the first time in many years. Since that occasion several performances have been given, each being in turn responsible for notable improvement, until to-day, when it may be stated that in the Philharmonic Society most of the instruments employed in modern orchestras are included in its ensemble. For the initial performance this season Sir William Sterndale Bennett's celebrated pastorale "The May Queen" (first rendered at the Crystal Palace in London and enthusiastically received), will be produced by a chorus and orchestra of 75. The soloists will be Mrs. Janion, Miss S. McNiffe, Mr. Henry Moxon and Mr. A. T. Goward. Not the least interesting feature of the concert will be the rendition, for the first time in Victoria, of Sir Michael Costa's famous arrangement of the national anthem for solo, chorus and orchestra, at the beginning and conclusion of the programme.

Between parts 1 and 2 of "The May Queen," Mr. F. Victor Austin, the conductor of this society, will play his own composition, "In Memoriam," in memory and out of respect of the late Mr. Wm. Greig. Mr. Austin is now writing an elegy for Mr. Greig, but owing to press of work and business will not be able to have it finished in time for this concert.


The man who stands idly by and sees the life fading out of his wife's face, sees her health going, sees her becoming old and faded and wrinkled when she should still be in the perfect enjoyment of vigorous, useful health, is either less than a man or else does not know of the one remedy which will bring her back to health and strength. Perhaps her husband cannot persuade her to go to her doctor, because she naturally dreads the inevitable "examinations" and "local treatments." He can persuade her, if she needs persuasion, to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This truly wonderful medicine has cured hundreds of women after the best physicians have failed. It has been in constant use and tested every day for thirty years. It isn't an experiment, there are no chances about it. It is a certain cure for all derangements, weaknesses, irregularities and displacements of internal organs peculiar to women.


# Association Football.

### Both Vancouver and the Royal Artillery Enter Teams for the Championship.

### Mr. Parker Takes All the Prizes in the Farmers' Cup Race --Deer Hunting.

The British Columbia Football Association have met and received entries from Victoria, Vancouver, Wellington and the Royal Artillery teams, Victoria drawing against the Royal Artillery and Vancouver against Wellington. Both have to play to games before January 20, 1900, when the winners will play off on home and home games, which will without doubt show some of the finest association football seen in British Columbia for some time. It is the first time entries have been received from Vancouver and the Royal Artillery. Of Vancouver little is known by the home team, although it is reported that they have a strong combination. Of the Royal Artillery it need only be said that they held Victoria down to one goal on Saturday last at Beacon hill. Wellington also intends making a strong bid to retain the cup, which they hold from last year. Victoria will place a team in the field which will well uphold the fame of the city in the league. Last season Victoria defeated Wellington at the Caledonia ground, but on having to go to Wellington on one occasion they had to default, and on another went with only six men, on account of the players being unable to leave work for half a day. If employers would only have a little leniency with the players in their employ this season Victoria will land the cup, which they lost four years ago.

## THE TURF.

The Farmers' Race.

After carefully considering the many fine points of race conditions and their interpretations that were involved, the judges at the recent meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club have handed down their decision on the "Farmer's Cup" race, disallowing the McKeown horse that led the string home, and giving the race to "Johnny," owned by Mr. T. Parker of Rocky Point, the same gentleman's "Joe" being placed second. The race was for horses bred in British Columbia and "owned in the district." On the score of breeding the first horse home was classed ineligible, while there was a point at issue as to whether the Parker horses finishing first and second respectively, could be counted as owned in the district—the fact being that they came from Metchosin.

## THE GUN.

Dogs Not Allowed.

Deer hunting on Saanich mountain and in other wooded parts of the nearby peninsula has resulted very favorably to the hunters during the past few weeks, each day sees some of the city sports take to the hills with gun and dog. Quite a number of residents appear to be laboring under the misapprehension that running the deer with dogs is allowable—in this part of the country at all events, and have used the dogs under the erroneous impression that this was quite in accord with the law. Lest they should invite trouble by repetition of the experiment, it may be mentioned that the running of deer with dogs is distinctly and positively forbidden in all parts of the province—and that no special exemption could be or has been made for Saanich district.


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## NIGHT ON THE VELDT.

Sights and Sounds That "Tommy" Will See and Hear.

There is absolutely nothing on earth more beautiful and solemnly impressive than the starlight serenity of a South African night. The sky is cloudless, the air is fresh and cool, the silence is full of busy hummings of insects and suggestions of life on all sides. And yet there is the sense of complete isolation, of a certain aloofness from mundane things, which is awesome and inspiring.

The veldt rolls out its great waves of short stubble from horizon to horizon, broken here and there by sugarloaf-shaped ant-heaps and a sparse vegetation of zuikerbasch, or dwarf mimosa. The Southern Cross shines in the sky, and the Milky Way seems to have trebled its myriads of tiny scintillating constellations.

Anon a cicada cheeps with a shrill, high, vibrating note, which is repeated with the monotony of a tightly-strung tom-tom. A couple of nachtaapies, curious little beasts, part monkey, part mouse and part bat, drop from the zuikerbasch and dart through the thornbush. A meercat sits up in the starlight, its white-gray breast shining like silver. It looks around in an impudent way, and takes stock of the veldt and the human intruders. A springhaan, or locust, heralds a passing swarm of silent, ghostly, violet-winged spirits of the departed. A thousand soft sounds seem to heighten rather than break the stillness of the night.

Creeping along the side of the nearest ant-heap comes a curious uncanny insect, with a long neck and longer body, mis-shapen like a cricket bat, and very similar to it in color. This is a "Hottentot god," so called because the Hottentots are supposed to worship it. The little Boer boys often catch these funny insects and set them on to fight one another, which they are easily persuaded to do, with an amount of ferocity which is almost alarming in such little creatures.

From the distance comes the hoarse cry of a great paauw, or bustard, resembling that of a peacock, but less shrill. They are good shooting, and even better eating, partaking of the character of the turkey, to which, indeed, they are nearly allied. Another veldt bird which is game in every sense of the word is the knorrhaan, also spelt koran, something between a partridge and a wild duck. Its prefix "knorr" is said to be derived from the curious kind of rattling purr which it makes when it thinks itself in any danger.

The honey-bird is a well-known denizen of many parts of the Transvaal. It has the unique peculiarity that it does not fear men and women, but actually flies up to them, uttering a plaintive, low note and flying about their heads, tries to lead them on to the nearest clump of rocks or kopje. The bird knows full well that under a certain rock lies a store of honey concealed by the cunning bees, and rock honey being as much esteemed by birds as by human beings, the clever little fellow tries to induce a friendly being with two strong hands to push aside the rock, so that it may get to the honey.

If it succeeds in its object and the traveller on the veldt, attracted by the bird's flutterings to and fro between himself and the rocks, finds the honey, the bird changes its plaintive note to one of joy and pleasure, as much as to say, "Thank you very much."

## COLLISION AT SEA.

British Bark Rams and Smashes Spanish Steamer and Fatally Injures Chief Officer.

Liverpool, Dec. 4.—The Spanish steamer Santadero, Capt. Eggurola, from Galveston via Pensacola, Fla., November 11, arrived here to-day. The collision had with her by the British bark Culdoon, Capt. Richeter, from North Sydney, C.B., reported by the Culdoon upon her arrival at St. John, N.B., yesterday, the Santadero reports occurred November 22 in latitude 44 north, longitude 57 west, and that the Culdoon's bowsprit rammed the steamer, smashing bridge bolts, compasses, upper structure aft, and fatally injuring the chief officer. The Culdoon was leaking but did not require assistance.

## THE LORD MAYOR'S SCRAPE.

His Own Part to His Credit Through the Company is on a Dangerous Plan.

London, Dec. 4.—At the conclusion today of the investigation into the concern with which Lord Mayor Newton was said to have been unfavorably mixed up, Justice Wright said he had no judgment to give. He added that the investigation was solely to enable the official receiver of the company to take other proceedings if he so desired.

It was due to Lord Mayor Newton, he declared, to say that he had successfully resisted the attempt of promoter Mendel to appropriate £28,000 for his own purposes. Such articles of association, however, according to the Justice, constituted nothing short of a scandal and it was highly desirable in his opinion that the law should limit the powers conferred thereby which at present placed the public at the mercy of promoters.


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Debentures payable in fifty years at furthest from 1st December, 1899, with privilege of repurchase from time to time after four years. To bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent., payable half-yearly on 1st June and December. The right is reserved to reject the highest or any tender.

Tenders to be sent to the undersigned not later than 7:30 p.m., on 11th December, 1899.

S. GOUGH,
City Clerk.

Nanaimo, B.C., 22nd November, 1899.